

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting,
held March 10, 1947
Town Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS.
Seal

The either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in
said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you
are hereby directed to notify the legal voters of said
Town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for
the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their
respective precincts, to wit:

Precinct 1 - Town Hall, Acton Center
Precinct 2 - Universalist Church, South Acton
Precinct 3 - Woman's Club House, West Acton
at 12 o'clock noon, Monday, the third day of March, 1947
by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at
each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven
days at least before the third day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following
town officers: Moderator, town clerk, town treasurer,
collector of taxes, one selectman for three years; one
assessor for three years; one member of the board of
public welfare for three years; four constables for one
year; one cemetery commissioner for three years; two members
of the school committee for three years; one member of
the board of health for three years; one trustee
Memorial Library for three years; and a tree warden.

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at
8 o'clock p.m.

You are further requested in the name of the Common-
wealth to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton
as aforesaid, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Acton on
Monday, the tenth day, March, 1947 at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees
and fix salaries of all town officers.
- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports
of the town officers.
- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees
chosen at any previous meeting that have not already
reported.
- Article 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the
sum of \$500.00, or some other sum, for the observance of
Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the direction
of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen, or
act anything thereon.
- Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town
Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow
money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue
of the financial year beginning January 1, 1947, and
to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year,
and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a
period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17,
Chapter 44, General Laws.

- Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the use of the Treasurer to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer. The amount spent for board and disposal of dogs will be reimbursed by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.
- Article 7. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1000.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or act anything thereon.
- Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00, or some other sum, so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year, or act anything thereon.
- Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees, or act anything thereon.
- Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 for the purchase of a Gas Driven Chain Saw for the Tree Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the purchase of a new radio for the Police Cruiser, or act anything thereon.
- Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1800.00 for the Police Department, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint an additional full time police officer, or act anything thereon.
- Article 13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the necessary expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.
- Article 14. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$700.00 for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows, or act anything thereon.
- Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the painting of traffic lines and signs, or act anything thereon.
- Article 16. To see if the town will vote to accept the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Acton and Building By-Laws of the Town of Acton as printed in the town report, or act anything thereon.
- Article 17. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$600.00 for the purchase of a new power mower for playgrounds, or act anything thereon.
- Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with \$3000.00 to be allotted by the County and \$6000.00 to be allotted by the State, or act anything thereon.
- Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of additional snow fence, or act anything thereon.
- Article 20. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the amount of the State's and

County's allotments for Highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.

- Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the purchase of a power lawn mower for the Cemetery Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of sanders for the Highway Department and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old ones, or act anything thereon.
- Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$900.00 for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 24. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2500.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of hose for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for the purchase of two oxygen masks for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 26. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$6000.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of an emergency service truck for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 27. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or dispose of the old fire truck, Engine #1, or act anything thereon.
- Article 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and their successors in office, to sell at public auction or private sales, any property heretofore or hereafter acquired by the town under the title proceedings, to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions as they may deem expedient and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town, deeds or other instruments therefor, or take any other action relative thereto, to do or act thereon.
- Article 29. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3500.00 from the Overlay Surplus as a Reserve Fund or act anything thereon.
- Article 30. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account. This sum to be used for the payment of inspection fees for the Slaughtering Inspector and that fees received by the Town Treasurer for the slaughtering of animals be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this twenty-second day of January 1947.

Lawrence Donnelly
George S. Braman
Arthur W. Lee

Selectmen
of Acton

A true copy, attest

Constable of Acton.

Acton, Mass., February 13, 1947
Middlesex, S.S.

I have served the within named warrant by posting an attested copy of the same at six of the public places of said town seven days before the time of holding said meeting as within directed.

Robert George Willett Constable of Acton.

Record of Town Election held March 3, 1947

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole number of votes cast	259	387	316	962
Moderator, one year				
Albert P. Durkee	229	342	295	866
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1947				
Blanks	30	45	21	96
Town Clerk, one year				
Harlan E. Tuttle	243	347	300	890
sworn by moderator March 7, 1947				
Blanks	16	40	16	72
Selectman, three years				
Lawrence Donnelly	183	163	190	536
sworn by town clerk, March 5, 1947				
George A. Morse	73	222	124	419
Blanks	3	2	2	7
Assessor, three years				
Albert P. Durkee	229	345	292	866
sworn by town clerk, March 7, 1947				
Blanks	30	42	24	96
Board of Public Welfare, three years				
Walter B. Stevens	220	329	280	829
sworn by town clerk, March 6, 1947				
Blanks	39	58	36	133
Treasurer, one year				
Wm. Henry Soar	231	343	292	866
sworn by town clerk March 10, 1947				
Blanks	28	44	24	96
Collector of Taxes, one year				
Carrie M. Durkee	236	359	297	892
sworn by town clerk, March 7, 1947				
Blanks	23	28	19	70
School Committee, three years				
Norman Garthe	70	117	93	280
Ernest Simpson	188	217	228	633
sworn by town clerk March 4, 1947				
Hazel Priscilla Vose	165	306	250	721
sworn by town clerk March 4, 1947				
Blanks	95	134	661	290
Constables, one year				
T. Frederick S. Kennedy	192	252	270	714
sworn by town clerk March 10, 1947				
Ivar Peterson	223	251	256	730
sworn by town clerk March 5, 1947				
Robert George Willett	187	272	272	731
Michael Foley	17	19	118	54
John Beach			23	23
Blanks	417	754	425	1596
Cemetery Commissioner, three years				
Harry E. Holt	230	338	292	860
sworn by town clerk, March 6, 1947				
Blanks	29	49	24	102

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Board of Health, three years				
Herbert L. Leusher	229	326	282	837
sworn by town clerk, March 10, 1947				
Blanks	30	61	34	125
Trustee of Memorial Library, three years				
Wendell F. Davis	14	13	24	51
sworn by town clerk March 10, 1947				
Scattered	5	4		9
Blanks	240	370	292	902
Tree Warden, one year				
James J. Knight	224	340	289	853
sworn by town clerk, March 6, 1947				
Blanks	35	47	27	109

Abstract of the Proceedings of the
Annual Town Meeting, March 10, 1947

- Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and fix salaries of all town officers.

Officers

Chose: Clara L. Sawyer trustee of the Elizabeth White Fund for three years.

Chose: Frederick T. Kennedy trustee of the Acton Firemen's Relief Fund for three years.

Chose: Arnold H. Perkins trustee of the West Acton Firemen's Relief Fund for three years.

Chose: Charles E. Smith trustee of the Goodnow Fund for three years.

Voted: That the salary of the Tax Collector be twelve hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen be three hundred dollars per annum and the other members two hundred dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salaries of the Assessors be fifteen hundred dollars in the aggregate per annum to be apportioned as they may determine.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of Health be twenty-five dollars per annum, the clerk fifteen dollars and the other member ten dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of Public Welfare be one hundred and twenty-five dollars per annum and that of the other members seventy-five dollars each per annum and that the Board of Public Welfare be authorized to appoint one of its members as Supervisor of Old Age Assistance at a salary of \$600.00, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Clerk be three hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Treasurer be six hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Tree Warden be fixed at \$1.25 per hour plus 50 cents per hour for use of a truck.

Voted: That the salary of the Moderator be fifteen dollars for the annual meeting and ten dollars for each special meeting.

- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.

Reports

Voted: To accept the several reports of the town officers.

- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Reports

Acton War Record Committee Report

At the annual town meeting held on Monday, the twelfth day of March 1945, it was voted under Article 27; as follows:

To instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of five to be known as the Acton War Record Committee, whose duty it shall be to compile a permanent record of all men and women of Acton in the military service of the United

Article 3. or of any of its Allies in the present World War. This
(cont.) committee to have full power of filling vacancies or enlarging the membership of the committee and that such moneys for the use of the committee as the Selectmen deem necessary from time to time be made available to the committee by the Selectmen or the Finance Committee from any funds within their control. This committee to report at the next annual town meeting. The Moderator appointed the following committee, Ralph P. Marble, Herbert L. Leusher, Theron A. Lowden, Prentice W. Blood, and Mrs. Marjorie J. Davis.

The committee met and organized very soon thereafter with, Ralph P. Marble as Chairman, Mrs. Marjorie J. Davis as Secretary and Theron A. Lowden as Director. Mr. Herbert L. Leusher's resignation was accepted with regret and Dewey E. Boatman elected to fill the vacancy. It was also felt that inasmuch as the Town Clerk is the custodian of most Town records and therefore would naturally have some interest in these records that he should be a member of this committee, Harlan E. Tuttle was elected to the committee.

During 1945 we managed to get a few supplies enabling us to start in recording discharges and doing elementary work but that was all until the Town Meeting of 1946.

At the town meeting held on March 11, 1946 it was voted: To continue the work of the Acton War Record Committee and that the sum of One Thousand (1000) Dollars be raised and appropriated for this committee.

Since that town meeting we were still unable to get the necessary supplies to properly carry on this work as thoroughly and completely as we would like to have, but kept on recording discharges and laying the ground work for the time when they did arrive. Up to the end of the 1946 year there has been recorded 225 discharges and there has been given to the Veteran 147 copies, notorized and in proper form for him to use in any of many uses they are necessary.

During December we managed to get most of the supplies to carry on this work as is now required by statute and hope to have everything in proper order to do the type of a service we feel is essential to the well being of the Veteran.

Ralph P. Marble, Chairman
Theron A. Lowden, Director

Voted: That the report of the War Record Committee be accepted.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the
Memorial sum of \$500.00, or some other sum, for the observance of
Day Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (500) dollars for the observance of Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer
Borrow with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from
Money time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1947, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Voted: Unanimously: To authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1947, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the use of the Treasurer to pay the Dog Officer expenses of the local Dog Officer. The amount spent for board and disposal of dogs will be reimbursed by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (300) dollars for the use of the Treasurer, to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1000.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To transfer the sum of One Thousand (1000) dollars from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00, or some other sum, so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand (2000) dollars, so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty (250) dollars for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 for the purchase of a Gas Driven Chain Saw for the Tree Department, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the purchase of a new radio for the Police Radio.

Voted: To transfer the sum of Six Hundred (600) dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of a new radio for the Police Cruiser.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1800.00 for the Police Department, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint an additional full time police officer, or act anything thereon.

Moderator appointed tellers for a hand vote and ballot vote.

Tellers appointed:	Edward Bursaw	James E. Kinsley
	Ralph W. Piper	Hermann Gatchell
	Ormal S. Laffin	Orson K. Miller

Motion: To pass over the article did not prevail.
(Hand vote) Yes - 188
No - 220

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Hundred (1800) dollars for the Police Department, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint an additional full time police officer.

A ballot ~~vote~~ was ordered by the Moderator.
Whole number of votes cast - 449
Yes - 226
No - 223.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the necessary expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

Expenses

Voted: That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated for the several purposes hereinafter designated and that the same be expended only for the purposes under the direction of the respective boards, committees, or officers of the town, as follows:

General Government:

Moderator	\$ 25.	
Finance Committee	150.	
Selectmen, Salaries & Wages	1,700.	
Expenses	150.	
Town Accountant, Salaries & Wages	700.	
Expenses	100.	
Treasurer, Salaries & Wages	650.	
Expenses	250.	
Collector, Salaries & Wages	1,550.	
Expenses	300.	
Assessors, Salaries & Wages	1,800.	
Expenses	200.	
Town Clerk, Salaries & Fees	450.	
Expenses	150.	
Elections & Registrations		
Salaries & Wages	575.	
Expenses	150.	
Total General Government		\$ 8,900.

Buildings & Grounds:

Salaries & Wages	1,700.	
Expenses	1,800.	
Total Buildings & Grounds		3,500.

Protection of Persons & Property:

Police, Salaries & Wages	3,000.	
Expenses, including Cruiser	850.	
Fire Dept., Salaries & Wages	2,665.	
Expenses	1,500.	
Fire Hydrant Rental	3,375.	
Forest Fire	1,500..	
Sealer of Weights & Measures		
Salary & Wages	200.	
Expenses	50.	
Moth Department, Salaries & Wages	950.	
Expenses	1,050.	
Tree Warden, Salaries & Wages	1,400.	
Expenses	600.	
Total Protection		17,140.

Health & Sanitation:

Board of Health, Salaries & Wages	4,300.	
Expenses	700.	
Inspection of Animals	150.	
Total Health & Sanitation		5,150.

Highways:

Village Highways	1,450.	
Chapter 81 Highways	8,550.	
Chapter 90 Highways	3,000.	
Snow Removal	10,000.	
Street Lighting	4,400.	
Total Highways		27,400.

Charities:

General Relief, Salaries & Wages	1,335.20	
Expenses	150.	
Expenditure	4,500.	
Old Age, Expenditure	25,000.	
Aid to Dependent Children		
Expenditure	3,500.	

Total Charities 34,485.20

Total Carried Forward \$96,575.20

Total Brought Forward		\$96,575.20
Veterans' Aid:		
Veterans' Benefits, Salaries & Wages	\$ 100.	
Expenses	25.	
Expenditure	4,000.	
Veterans' Service, Salaries & Wages	1,150.	
Expenses	350.	
Total Veterans' Aid		5,625.
Education:		
Schools, Salaries & Wages	62,500.	
Fuel	3,000.	
Misc. Operating Expenses	600.	
Books & Supplies	3,500.	
Transportation	5,250.	
Tuition	300.	
Janitors' Supplies & Power	2,200.	
Outlay	1,000.	
Repairs	2,500.	
Library	200.	
Health	300.	
Total Education		81,350.
Libraries:		
Libraries, Salaries & Wages	800.	
Expenses	700.	
Books	300.	
Total Libraries		1,800.
Recreation:		
Playgrounds	1,000.	
Total Recreation		1,000.
Unclassified:		
Misc. Expenses	500.	
Town Reports	575.	
Workmen's Compensation	900.	
Surety Bonds	300.	
Total Unclassified		2,275.
Cemeteries:		
Cemeteries, Salaries & Wages	3,500.	
Expenses	600.	
Total Cemeteries		4,100.
Maturing Debt & Interest:		
Maturing Debt	1,000.	
Interest	165.	
Total Debt & Interest		1,165.
Total Regular Expenses		\$193,890.20
Special Articles:		
Art. 4. Memorial Day	\$ 500.	
Art. 6. Dog Officer	300.	
Art. 8. Collection of Garbage	2,000.	
Art. 9. Tree Department	250.	
Art. 12. Police Dept.	1,800.	
Art. 15. Painting Traffic Lines	200.	
Art. 18. Construction of Main St.	3,000.	
Art. 19. Snow Fence	200.	
Art. 25. Oxygen Masks	450.	
Total Special Articles		8,700.
Total voted to be raised & appropriated		\$202,590.20
Transfers:		
Art. 7. Machinery Acct.	1,000.	
Art. 11. Radio for Police Cruiser	600.	
Art. 14. Snow Plow	700.	
Art. 17. Power Mower, Playgrounds	600.	
Art. 20. Chap. 81 & 90 Highways	32,100.	
Art. 21. Power Mower, Cemetery	400.	
Art. 22. Sanders, Highway	300.	
Art. 23. Fire Department	900.	
Art. 24. Fire Dept., Hose	2,500.	
Art. 26. Fire Dept., Emergency Service Truck	6,000.	
Art. 29. Reserve Fund	3,500.	
Art. 30. Inspection Fees	1,000.	
Total Transfers		49,600.

Article 13. (cont.)	Total Voted to be raised & appropriated	\$202,590.20
	Total Transfers	49,600.
	Grand Total	<u>\$252,190.20</u>

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$700.00 for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Seven Hundred (700) dollars for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the painting of traffic lines and signs, or act anything thereon.

Traffic
Lines

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (200) dollars for the painting of traffic lines and signs.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to accept the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Acton and Building By-Laws of the Town of Acton as printed in the town report, or act anything thereon.

Zoning

Motion: Reject this article in its entirety.
Did not prevail.

Voted: That the town refrain from taking action on accepting the proposed Zoning and Building By-Laws at this time, and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to appoint a committee of five to submit proposed Zoning By-Laws and Building By-Laws for the Town of Acton at some future date.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$600.00 for the purchase of a new power mower for playgrounds, or act anything thereon.

Mower -
Play-
grounds

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Six Hundred (600) dollars for the purchase of a new power mower for playgrounds.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with \$3000.00 to be allotted by the County and \$6000.00 to be allotted by the State, or act anything thereon.

Construc-
tion -
Main St.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand (3000) dollars for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with Three Thousand (3000) dollars to be allotted by the County and Six Thousand (6000) dollars to be allotted by the State.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of additional snow fence, or act anything thereon.

Snow Fence

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (200) dollars for the purchase of additional snow fence.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for Highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.

Highways

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Thirty-two Thousand One Hundred (32,100) dollars,

- Article 20. (cont.) the amount of the State's and County's allotments for Highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account.
- Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the purchase of a power laws mower for the Cemetery Department, or act anything thereon.
Mower - Cemetery
Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Four Hundred (400) dollars for the purchase of a power lawn mower for the Cemetery Department.
- Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of sanders for the Highway Department and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old ones, or act anything thereon.
Sanders
Voted: To appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (300) dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of sanders for the Highway Department and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old ones.
- Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$900.00 for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
Fire Dept.
Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Nine Hundred (900) dollars for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department.
- Article 24. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of hose for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
Fire Dept.
Voted: To appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred (2,500) dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of hose for the Fire Department.
- Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for the purchase of two oxygen masks for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
Fire Dept.
Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Fifty (450) dollars for the purchase of two oxygen masks for the Fire Department.
- Article 26. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of an emergency service truck for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
Fire Dept.
Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Six Thousand (6,000) dollars for the purchase of an emergency service truck for the Fire Department.
- Article 27. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or dispose of the old fire truck, Engine No. 1, or act anything thereon.
Fire Dept.
Voted: To authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or dispose of the old fire truck, Engine No. 1.
- Article 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and their successors in office, to sell at public auction or private sales, any property heretofore or hereafter acquired by the town under the title proceedings, to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions as they may deem expedient and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town, deeds or other instruments therefor, or take any other action relative thereto, to do or act thereon.
Land titles

Article 28. Motion: To authorize the Selectmen and their successors
(cont.) in office, to sell at public auction any property heretofore or hereafter acquired by the Town, under the title proceedings, to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions, as they may deem expedient and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town, deeds or other instruments therefor.

Amendment: The Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to sell at public auction or at private sale all or any property heretofore or hereafter acquired by the Town by virtue of sale for non-payment of taxes, which sales have been confirmed by the Land Court or the Tax Commissioner, and to give proper deeds therefor and to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions as they may deem expedient.

Amendment did prevail.

Voted: To authorize the Board of Selectmen and their successors in office, to sell at public auction or at private sale all or any property, heretofore or hereafter acquired by the Town by virtue of sale for non-payment of taxes, which sales have been confirmed by the Land Court or the Tax Commissioner, and to give proper deeds therefor and to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions as they may deem expedient.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of
Reserve \$3,500.00 from the Overlay Surplus as a Reserve Fund or
Fund act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred (3,500) dollars from the Overlay Surplus as a Reserve Fund.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of
Slaughter- \$1,000.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account. This sum to
ing Fees be used for the payment of inspection fees for the
~~Slaughtering~~ Inspector and that fees received by the Town
Treasurer for the slaughtering of animals be credited
back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of One Thousand (1,000) dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account. This sum to be used for the payment of inspection fees for the Slaughtering Inspector and that fees received by the Town Treasurer for the slaughtering of animals be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account.

Voted: To adjourn.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting,
held March 8, 1948
Town Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS.
Seal

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in
said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you
are hereby directed to notify the legal voters of said
Town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for
the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their
respective precincts to wit:

Precinct 1 - Town Hall, Acton Center
Precinct 2 - Universalist Church, South Acton
Precinct 3 - Woman's Club House, West Acton

at 12 o'clock noon, Monday, the first day of March, 1948,
by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at
each of the places as directed by vote of the town,
seven days at least before the first day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following
town officers: Moderator, town clerk, town treasurer,
collector of taxes, one selectman for three years; one
assessor for three years; one member of the board of
public welfare for three years; four constables for one
year; one cemetery commissioner for three years; two
members of the school committee for three years; one
member of the board of health for three years; one trustee
Memorial Library for three years; and a tree warden. Also
to vote "Yes" or "No" on the following question: "Shall
the provisions of section forty of chapter seventy-one
of the General Laws, as amended, relative to equal pay
for men and women teachers be in force in this town?"

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at
8 o'clock p. m.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth
to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton as
aforesaid, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Acton on
Monday, the eighth day, March, 1948 at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and
fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers
of the town.
- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports
of the town officers and boards or act anything thereon.
- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen
at any previous meeting that have not already reported.
- Article 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the
sum of \$500.00 or some other sum, for the observance of
Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the direction
of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen, or
act anything thereon.
- Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Trea-
surer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to
borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the
revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948
and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one
year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for
a period of less than one year in accordance with Section
17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

- Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the use of the Treasurer to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer. The amount spent for board and disposal of dogs will be reimbursed by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.
- Article 7. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2500.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or act anything thereon.
- Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 or some other sum, so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year, or act anything thereon.
- Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees, or act anything thereon.
- Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the necessary expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.
- Article 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$700.00 for the purchase of a new plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows, or act anything thereon.
- Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the painting of traffic lines and signs, or act anything thereon.
- Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with \$3000.00 to be allotted by the County and \$6000.00 to be allotted by the State, or act anything thereon.
- Article 14. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Moderator to obtain an expression of the voters present, as to their preference of the location of the Southerly route or the Northerly route of the proposed Route #2 as laid out by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works, or act anything thereon.
- Article 15. To see if the town will vote to accept the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Acton as printed in the town report, or act anything thereon.
- Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of snow fence, or act anything thereon.
- Article 17. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.
- Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the feeding of our shade trees, or act anything thereon.
- Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the purchase of uniforms for the Police Department as by General Laws Chapter 40, Section 6B, or act anything thereon.

- Article 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$600.00 for the purchase of a new cruiser for the Police Department and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in, sell or dispose of the old cruiser, or act anything thereon.
- Article 22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectment to appoint a Playground Committee of three; one member from Precinct 1 for one year; one member from Precinct 2 for two years, and one member from Precinct 3 for three years; thereafter, all appointments to be made for three year periods, or act anything thereon.
- Article 23. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Playground Committee to survey possible sites in Precinct 3 for a playground and to see if the town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectment to purchase the most desirable site; and to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 or any other sum to purchase and to improve a playground for Precinct 3, or act anything thereon.
- Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 or any other sum to be used by the Playground committee to improve Goward Field, or act anything thereon.
- Article 25. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee, acting jointly, to appoint a committee to survey the school needs of the town and transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$1500.00 or any other sum, for the use of said committee, and to instruct it to report to the town at the next annual or special town meeting, or act anything thereon.
- Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 or any other sum, to replace the present roof on the high school, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee, acting jointly, to appoint a committee to carry out said purpose and expend from said appropriation such amount as shall be necessary therefor, or act anything thereon.
- Article 27. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of five to investigate the needs of expanding the present fire house or building a new fire house in Precinct 1 and make recommendations at the next annual or special town meeting, or act anything thereon.
- Article 28. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$4500.00 for the purpose of purchasing a Shovel Loader and attachments for the Highway Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay the cost of effecting insurance providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property, caused by the operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection 1, as amended, or act anything thereon.
- Article 30. To see if the town will vote to amend Article 1 of Section 5 of the Town By-Laws by striking out said Article 1 and substituting therefor the amendment as printed in the town report, or act anything thereon.

- Article 31. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and their successors in office, to sell at public auction or private sales, any property heretofore or hereafter acquired by the town under the title proceedings, to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions as they may deem expedient and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town, deeds or other instruments therefor, or take any other action relative thereto, to do or act thereon.
- Article 32. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3500.00 from the Overlay Surplus as a Reserve Fund or act anything thereon.
- Article 33. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$400.00 for the purpose of purchasing a portable gasoline motor generator lighting set or act anything thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this twenty-first day of January 1948.

Arthur W. Lee
Lawrence Donnelly
George S. Braman

Selectmen of
Acton

A true copy, attest

Constable of Acton.

Acton, Mass., February 20, 1948
Middlesex, S. S.

I have served the within named warrant by posting an attested copy of the same at 16 of the public places of said town seven days before the time of holding said meeting as within directed.

Robert George Willett Constable of Acton.

Record of Town Election held March 1, 1948

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole number of votes cast	89	78	129	296
Moderator, one year				
Albert P. Durkee	82	70	122	274
sworn by town clerk March 6, 1948				
Blanks	7	8	7	22
Town Clerk, one year				
Harlan E. Tuttle	86	77	126	289
sworn by moderator March 6, 1948				
Blanks	3	1	3	7
Selectman, three years				
Arthur W. Lee	82	68	120	270
sworn by town clerk March 3, 1948				
James Kinsley			1	1
Blanks	7	10	8	25
Assessor, three years				
James W. Baker	79	69	123	271
sworn by town clerk March 5, 1948				
Blanks	10	9	6	25
Board of Public Welfare, three years				
Lossie E. Laird	81	65	118	264
sworn by town clerk March 4, 1948				
Blanks	8	13	11	32
Treasurer, one year				
William Henry Soar	85	75	123	283
sworn by town clerk March 8, 1948				
Blanks	4	3	6	13
Collector of Taxes, one year				
Carrie M. Durkee	83	76	129	288
sworn by town clerk March 5, 1948				
Blanks	6	2	-	8
School Committee, three years				
Donald P. Severance	77	62	118	257
sworn by town clerk March 4, 1948				
Gertrude P. Tuttle	77	68	122	267
sworn by town clerk, March 3, 1948				
Jessie Knippel	1			1
Blanks	23	26	18	67
Constables, one year				
T. Frederick S. Kennedy	77	66	121	264
sworn by town clerk, March 6, 1948				
Ivar Peterson	85	68	122	275
sworn by town clerk March 3, 1948				
Robert George Willett	75	69	121	265
Michael Foley	3	4	8	15
sworn by town clerk March 8, 1948				
Scattered	14	4	8	26
Blanks	102	101	136	339
Cemetery Commissioner, three years				
Ray L. Harris	82	71	123	276
sworn by town clerk March 5, 1948				
Blanks	7	7	6	20

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Board of Health, three years				
Lowell H. Cram	78	68	121	267
Blanks	11	10	8	29
Trustee, Memorial Library, 3yrs.				
Florence A. Merriam	81	74	123	278
sworn by town clerk, March 17, 1948				
Blanks	8	4	6	18
Tree Warden				
James J. Knight	78	68	120	266
sworn by town clerk March 8, 1948				
Blanks	11	10	9	30
Question Equal Pay School Teachers				
Yes	47	46	62	155
No	31	18	47	96
Blanks	11	14	20	45

Abstract of the Proceedings of the
Annual Town Meeting, March 8, 1948

- Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and
Officers fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers
of the town.

Chose: Waldo E. Whitcomb trustee of the Elizabeth White
Fund for three years.

Chose: Clarence Frost trustee of the Acton Firemen's
Relief Fund for three years.

Chose: H. Stuart MacGregor trustee of the West Acton
Firemen's Relief Fund for three years.

Chose: Roy H. Linscott trustee of the Goodnow Fund for
three years.

Voted: That the salary of the Tax Collector be twelve
hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Selectmen be four hundred dollars per annum and the other
members three hundred dollars each per annum, said salary
to be ~~the~~ retroactive to January 1, 1948.

Voted: That the salaries of the Assessors be two thousand
dollars in the aggregate per annum to be apportioned as
they may determine, said salary to be retroactive to Jan-
uary 1, 1948.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Health be twenty-five dollars per annum, the clerk fifteen
dollars and the other members ten dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Public Welfare be one hundred and twenty-five dollars per
annum and that of the other members seventy-five dollars
each per annum and that the Board of Public Welfare be
authorized to appoint one of its members as supervisor of
Old Age Assistance at a salary of \$600.00, in accordance
with the provisions of Section 4A of Chapter 41 of the
General Laws.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Clerk be three hundred
and fifty dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Treasurer be seven
hundred and fifty dollars per annum, said salary to be
retroactive to January 1, 1948.

Voted: That the salary of the Tree Warden be fixed at
\$1.25 per hour plus 65 cents per hour for use of a truck.

Voted: That the salary of the Moderator be fifteen dol-
lars for the annual meeting and ten dollars for each
special meeting.

- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports
Reports of the town officers and boards or act anything thereon.

Voted: To accept the several reports of the town officers
as printed.

- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen
Reports at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

No action taken under this article.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 or some other sum, for the observance of Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (500) dollars for the observance of Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Voted Unanimously: To authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the use of the Treasurer to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer. The amount spent for board and disposal of dogs will be reimbursed by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (300) dollars for the use of the Treasurer, to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer. The amount spent for board and disposal of dogs will be reimbursed by the County of Middlesex.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2500.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To transfer the sum of Twenty-five Hundred (2500) dollars from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 or some other sum, so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand (2000) dollars, so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty (250) dollars for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the necessary expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

Article 10. Voted: That the following sums of money be raised and
(cont.) appropriated for the several purposes hereinafter designated and that the same be expended only for the purposes under the direction of the respective boards, committees, or officers of the town, as follows:

General Government:		
1. Moderator	\$ 25.	
2 Finance Committee	150.	
3. Selectmen, Salaries & Wages	2,200.	
4 Expenses	150.	
5 Town Accountant, Salaries & Wages	700.	
6 Expenses	100.	
7 Treasurer, Salaries & Wages	750.	
8 Expenses	250.	
9 Collector, Salaries & Wages	1,550.	
10 Expenses	300.	
11 Assessors, Salaries & Wages	2,350.	
12 Expenses	250.	
13 Town Clerk, Salaries & Fees	500.	
14 Expenses	200.	
15 Elections & Registrations, Salaries & Wages	900.	
16 Expenses	450.	
17 Total General Government		\$10,825.
Buildings & Grounds:		
18 Buildings & Grounds, Sal. & Wages	2,805.	
19 Expenses	2,400.	
20 Total Buildings & Grounds		5,205.
Protection of Persons & Property:		
21 Police, Salaries & Wages	6,062.	
22 Expenses, including Cruiser	1,475.	
23 Fire Dept., Salaries & Wages	2,665.	
24 Expenses	2,000.	
25 Fire Hydrant Rental	3,800.	
26 Forest Fire	1,500.	
27 Sealer of Wgts. & Measures, Salary & Wages	200.	
28 Expenses	50.	
29 Moth Dept., Salaries & Wages	950.	
30 Expenses	1,030.	
31 Tree Warden, Salaries & Wages	1,625.	
32 Expenses	675.	
33 Total Protection		22,052.
Health & Sanitation:		
34 Board of Health, Salaries & Wages	4,300.	
35. Expenses	700.	
36 Inspection of Animals	150.	
37 Total Health & Sanitation		5,150.
Highways:		
38 Village Highways	2,000.	
39 Chapter 81 Highways	8,550.	
40 Chapter 90 Highways	3,000.	
41 Snow Removal	17,000.	
42 Street Lighting	4,600.	
43 Total Highways		35,150.
Charities:		
44 General Relief, Salaries & Wages	1,335.20	
45 Expenses	150.	
46 Expenditure	4,500.	
47 Old Age, Expenditure	25,000.	
48 A.D.C., Expenditure	3,000.	
49 Total Charities		33,985.20
Veterans' Aid:		
50 Veterans' Benefits, Salaries & Wages	150.	
51 Expenses	25.	
52 Expenditure	5,000.	
53 Veterans' Service, Salaries & Wages	1,050.	
54 Expenses	100.	
55 Total Veterans' Aid		6,325.
Total Carried Forward		\$118,692.20

Total Brought Forward		\$118,692.20
Education:		
56	Schools, Salaries & Wages	\$65,000.
57	Fuel	4,125.
58	Books & Supplies	3,400.
59	Transportation	6,000.
60	Tuition	300.
61	Janitors' Supplies & Power, Repairs & Misc.	4,700.
62	Outlay	1,000.
63	Library	200.
64	Health	275.
65	Total Education	85,000.
Libraries:		
66	Libraries, Salaries & Wages	800.
67	Expenses	900.
68	Books	300.
69	Total Libraries	2,000.
Recreation:		
70	Playgrounds	1,000.
Unclassified:		
71	Miscellaneous Expenses	1,000.
72	Town Reports	800.
73	Workmen's Compensation	900.
74	Surety Bonds	300.
75	Total Unclassified	3,000.
Cemeteries:		
76	Cemeteries, Salaries & Wages	4,000.
77	Expenses	900.
78	Total Cemeteries	4,900.
Maturing Debt and Interest:		
79	Maturing Debt	1,000.
80	Interest	150.
81	Total Debt & Interest	1,150.
82	Total Regular Expenses	\$215,742.20
Special Articles:		
Art. 4.	Memorial Day	\$ 500.
Art. 6.	Dog Officer	300.
Art. 8.	Collection of Garbage	2,000.
Art. 9.	Tree Department	250.
Art. 12.	Painting Traffic Lines	200.
Art. 13.	Construction of Main St.	3,000.
Art. 16.	Snow Fence	200.
Art. 18.	Equipment Fire Dept.	1,500.
Art. 19.	Feeding Shade Trees	500.
Art. 20.	Police Uniforms	150.
Art. 23.	Playground Precinct 3	3,000.
Art. 24.	Playground Precinct 1	1,000.
Art. 26.	High School Roof	7,500.
Art. 29.	Liability Insurance	705.
		20,805.00
Total Voted to be raised & appropriated		\$236,547.20
Transfers:		
Art. 7.	Machinery Acct.	2,500.
Art. 11.	Snow Plow	700.
Art. 17.	Chapters 81 & 90	23,550.
Art. 21.	Police Dept. New Cruiser	600.
Art. 25.	School Survey	1,500.
Art. 26.	High School Roof	7,500.
Art. 28.	Shovel Loader & attach- ments	4,500.
Art. 32.	Reserve Fund	3,500.
Art. 33.	Lighting Set, Motor Gen.	400.
Total Transfers		44,750.
Grand Total		\$281,297.20

Voted: (Item 41. Snow Removal) to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand (17000) dollars for snow removal and maintenance of snow equipment and that the Selectmen be authorized to spend One Thousand (1000) dollars of this appropriation for new equipment.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$700.00 for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Seven Hundred (700) dollars for the purchase of a new snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the painting of traffic lines and signs, or act anything thereon.

Traffic
Lines

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (200) dollars for the painting of traffic lines and signs.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with \$3000.00 to be allotted by the County and \$6000.00 to be allotted by the State, or act anything thereon.

Construc-
tion -
Main St.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand (3000) dollars for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with Three Thousand (3000) dollars to be allotted by the County and Six Thousand (6000) dollars to be allotted by the State.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Moderator to obtain an expression of the voters present, as to their preference of the location of the Southerly route or the Northerly route of the proposed Route No. 2 as laid out by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works, or act anything thereon.

Route #2

Voted: To instruct the Moderator to obtain an expression of the voters present, as to their preference of the location of the Southerly route or the Northerly route of the proposed Route No. 2 as laid out by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works.

Voted: Unanimously for the location of the proposed Southerly route No. 2.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to accept the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Acton as printed in the town report, or act anything thereon.

Zoning

Motion: That the Town adopt the Zoning By-Law filed with the Town Clerk, appearing on pages 64 to 70 of the Town Report for the year 1947 and entitled "Zoning By-Law of the Town of Acton."

Moderator appointed tellers for a ballot vote.

Tellers appointed

Clarence Frost	Richard A. Lowden
Ray L. Harris	Lowell H. Cram
Wm. Henry Soar	Ormal S. R. Laffin

A ballot was ordered by the Moderator.

Whole number of votes cast ----- 432

Yes	157
No	275

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of snow fence, or act anything thereon.
Snow Fence

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (200) dollars for the purchase of additional snow fence.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.
Highways

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Twenty-three Thousand Five Hundred Fifty (23550) dollars, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for Highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
Fire Dept.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred (1500) dollars for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the feeding of our shade trees, or act anything thereon.
Feeding
Trees

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (500) dollars for the feeding of our shade trees.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the purchase of uniforms for the Police Department as by General Laws Chapter 40, Section 6B, or act anything thereon.
Police
Uniforms

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty (150) dollars for the purchase of uniforms for the Police Department as by General Laws Chapter 40, Section 6B.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$600.00 for the purchase of a new cruiser for the Police Department and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in, sell or dispose of the old cruiser, or act anything thereon.
Police
Cruiser

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Six Hundred (600) dollars for the purchase of a new cruiser for the Police Department and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in, sell or dispose of the old cruiser.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Playground Committee of three; one member from Precinct 1 for one year; one member from Precinct 2 for two years, and one member from Precinct 3 for three years; thereafter, all appointments to be made for three year periods, or act anything thereon.
Playground
Committee

Voted: To authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Playground Committee of three; one member from Precinct 1 for one year; one member from Precinct 2 for two years, and one member from Precinct 3 for three years; thereafter, all appointments to be made for three year periods.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Playground Committee to survey possible sites in Precinct 3 for a playground and to see if the town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to purchase the most desirable site; and to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 or any other sum to purchase and to improve a playground for Precinct 3, or act anything thereon.

Playground
Prec. 3

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand (3000) dollars for the Playground Committee and the Board of Selectmen, said joint committee to purchase and improve a site in Precinct 3 for a playground.

Amendment: To strike out the sum of \$3000.00 at this time did not prevail.

Amendment: To increase the sum to \$5000.00 did not prevail.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 or any other sum to be used by the Playground Committee to improve Goward Field, or act anything thereon.

Goward
Field

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (1000) dollars to be used by the Playground Committee to improve Goward Field.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee, acting jointly, to appoint a committee to survey the school needs of the town and transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$1500.00 or any other sum, for the use of said committee, and to instruct it to report to the town at the next annual or special town meeting, or act anything thereon.

School
Survey

Voted: To authorize the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee, acting jointly, to appoint a committee to survey the school needs of the town and transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Fifteen Hundred (1500) dollars for the use of said committee, and to instruct it to report to the town at the next annual or special town meeting.

Committee appointed: Donald P. Severance
John M. Whittier
Mrs. Edward J. Bursaw
Edward A. Schmitz
Theodore G. Williams

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 or any other sum, to replace the present roof on the high school, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee, acting jointly, to appoint a committee to carry out said purpose and expend from said appropriation such amount as shall be necessary therefor, or act anything thereon.

High School
Roof

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred (7500) dollars by taxation and to appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred (7500) dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account to replace the present roof on the High School, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee, acting jointly, to appoint a committee to carry out said purpose and expend from said appropriation such amount as shall be necessary therefor.

Committee appointed: Alden C. Flagg, Chairman
Ervin D. Putnam
George H. Reed

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a committee of five to investigate the needs of expanding the present fire house or building a new fire house in Precinct 1 and make recommendations at the next annual or special town meeting, or act anything thereon.

Fire
House
Survey

Voted: To instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of five to investigate the needs of expanding the present fire house or building a new fire house in Precinct 1 and make recommendations at the next annual or special town meeting.

Committee appointed: Walter B. Stevens
Edward J. Bursaw
F. Wendell Putnam, Jr.
H. Stuart MacGregor
Lloyd W. Priest

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$4500.00 for the purpose of purchasing a Shovel Loader and attachments for the Highway Department, or act anything thereon.

Shovel
Loader

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Forty-five Hundred (4500) dollars for the purpose of purchasing a Shovel Loader and attachments for the Highway Department.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay the cost of effecting insurance providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property caused by the operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection 1, as amended, or act anything thereon.

Insurance

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Five (705) dollars to pay the cost of effecting insurance providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property caused by the operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection 1, as amended.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to amend Article 1 of Section 5 of the Town By-Laws by striking out said Article 1 and substituting therefor the amendment as printed in the town report, or act anything thereon.

By-Laws
Amendment

Voted Unanimously: To amend Article 1 of Section 5 of the Town By-Laws by striking out said Article 1 and substituting therefor the amendment as printed in the town report with the additional amendment under B that the board of engineers may be empowered to choose one of their members as a clerk. Also, under C - The Chief shall annually in December in conjunction with the assistant engineers submit to the Board of Selectmen a budget for the maintenance of the Department for the ensuing year.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and their successors in office, to sell at public auction or private sales, any property heretofore or hereafter acquired by the town under the title proceedings, to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions as they may deem expedient and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town, deeds or other instruments therefor, or take any other action relative thereto, to do or act thereon.

Voted: To authorize the Selectmen and their successors in office, to sell at public auction or private sales, any property heretofore or hereafter acquired by the town under the title proceedings, to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions as they may deem expedient and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town, deeds or other instruments therefor.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3500.00 from the Overlay Surplus as a Reserve Fund or act anything thereon.

Reserve
Fund

Voted: To appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Hundred (3500) dollars from the Overlay Surplus as a Reserve Fund.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$400.00 for the purpose of purchasing a portable gasoline motor generator lighting set or act anything thereon.

Lighting
Set

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Four Hundred (400) dollars for the purchase of a gasoline motor generator lighting set.

Voted: To adjourn.

Warrant for Presidential Primary, held April 27, 1948

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS

To either of the constables of the Town of Acton, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in Precinct 1 - Town Hall; Precinct 2 - Congregational Church, South Acton; Precinct 3- Woman's Club House, West Acton. Tuesday, the twenty-seventh day of April, 1948 at twelve o'clock noon, for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

Seven (7) Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

Seven (7) Alternate Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

Sixteen (16) Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

Sixteen (16) Alternate Delegates at Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

Two (2) District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 5th Congressional District.

Two (2) Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 5th Congressional District.

Two (2) District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party 5th Congressional District.

Two (2) Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party 5th Congressional District.

District Members of State Committee - (One Man and One Woman) for each political party for the 5th Middlesex Senatorial District.

Fifteen (15) Members of the Republican Town Committee

Ten (10) Members of the Democratic Town Committee.

The polls will be open from 12 noon to 8 p.m. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this first day of April, A.D., 1948.

George S. Braman
Arthur W. Lee
Lawrence Donnelly

Selectmen of Acton

A true copy attest: Ivar Peterson, Constable

April 17, 1948

Record of Presidential Primary, held April 27, 1948.

The Vote of the Democratic Party

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole Number of Votes Cast	2	3	4	9
John W. McCormack	1	1	4	6
James M. Curley	1	1	3	5
Thomas J. Buckley	1	1	3	5
William J. Foley	1	1	4	6
Chester A. Dolan, Jr.	1	1	4	6
Joseph E. Casey	1	1	4	6
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan	1	1	3	5
Daniel B. Brunton	1	1	3	5
Margaret M. O'Riordan	1	1	3	5
Roger L. Putnam	1	1	4	6
Maxwell B. Grossman	1	1	4	6
Francis E. Kelly	1	1	3	5
John T. McMorro	1	1	4	6
David J. Brickley	1	1	4	6
Joseph A. Scolponeti	1	1	3	5
Edward P. Gilgun	1	1	3	5
Blanks	-	-	6	6

Alternate Delegates

William R. Conley	1	1	3	5
Frank T. Y. Goon	1	1	3	5
Michael A. O'Leary	1	1	4	6
Bernard J. Killion	1	1	4	6
Clementina Langone	1	1	3	5
Michael LoPresti	1	1	4	6
Mary E. McDonald	1	1	3	5
Charles H. McGlue	1	1	4	6
Thomas P. Graham	1	1	3	5
Samuel Michelman	1	1	3	5
Rita M. Moylan	1	1	3	5
Mary Higgins	1	1	3	5
Charles Collatos	1	1	3	5
Silas F. Taylor	1	1	3	5
James T. Violette	1	1	3	5
Daniel F. Donovan	1	1	4	6
Blanks	-	-	11	11

Delegates Group 2

Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.	1	2	1	4
John George Asiaf	1	2		3
Stanley Borsa	1	2		3
Gerald T. Bowler	1	2		3
Jeremiah D. Crowley	1	2	1	4
Joseph T. Conley	1	2		3
Walter A. Cuffe	1	2		3
C. Gerald Lucey	1	2		3
Francis V. Matera	1	2		3
Harvey A. Pothier	1	2		3
William H. J. Rowan	1	2		3
Colin J. Cameron	1	2		3
Charles J. Artesani	1	2		3
Francis X. Casey	1	2		3
Daniel Rudsten	1	2		3
John M. Shea	1	2		3
Blanks	-	-		

AlternatesDelegates	Group 2	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
James A. Burke		1	2		3
Joseph E. Duffy		1	2		3
Howard B. Driscoll		1	2		3
Gerald P. Lombard		1	2		3
John J. Toomey		1	2		3
Robert G. Connolly		1	2		3
Edward J. Mulligan		1	2		3
James J. Twohig, Jr.		1	2		3
Anthony Parenzo		1	2		3
John G. Curley		1	2		3
Patrick Cronin		1	2		3
Harold C. Nagle		1	2		3
Thomas F. Reilly		1	2		3
John H. O'Connor, Jr.		1	2		3
James E. Hannon		1	2		3
Frank B. Oliveira		1	2		3
Blanks					11

Delegates Not Grouped.

James A. Bowes
Francis E. Cassidy
Lawrence W. Caton
Joseph H. Downey
Leo A. Gosselin
Thomas A. Keating
Mathias LaPierre
Leo F. McGrath
James Leo O'Connor
James F. Reynolds
George W. Stanton
Alice D. Sullivan

Alternate Delegates Not Grouped.

Marie F. Akey
Thomas B. Brennan
Joseph J. Buckley
John C. Carr
Lawrence E. Corcoran
Frederick M. Kelley
Ida C. McDonough
Edward McLaughlin
Wilfred J. Paquet
Luke Ryan
Anna A. Sharry
Jacob W. Shinberg
Wanda Walczak

District Delegates 5th District

Daniel O'Dea	2	2	4	8
James J. Bruin	2	0	4	6
Blanks	-	4	-	4

Alternate Delegates

George B. Murphy, Jr.	2	-	4	6
Walter H. Wilcox	2	-	4	6

Delegate Not Grouped

John J. Walsh				
Blanks	-	6	-	6

State Committee Man

Edmund S. K. Haverty	2	-	4	6
Wilfred J. Paquet	-	2	-	2
Blanks		1		1

State Committee Woman

Alice D. Sullivan	2	1	4	7
Blanks		2		2

Town Committee
Leo McCarthy
Theresa Condon
James Connolly
Sophia Walsh
Thomas Callanan
Annie Kingsley
Blanks

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Record of the Presidential Primary, held April 27, 1948

The Vote of the Republican Party

Delegates at Large	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole Number of Votes Cast	16	18	12	46
Robert F. Bradford	16	18	12	46
Leverett Saltonstall	16	18	12	46
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.	16	18	12	46
Joseph William Martin, Jr.	16	18	12	46
Clarence A. Barnes	16	18	12	46
Katherine G. Howard	15	18	12	45
Edwin L. Olander	15	18	12	45
Blanks	2			2
Alternate Delegates				
Esther W. Wheeler	13	17	10	40
Carroll L. Meins	13	17	10	40
Clara F. Roberto	14	17	10	41
Richard V. Wigglesworth	14	17	10	41
Florence G. Claussen	13	17	10	40
Anne M. Zyfers	13	17	10	40
Milton P. Higgins	14	17	10	41
Blanks	18	7	14	39
District Delegates 5th District				
Otis M. Whitney	13	17	11	41
Thomas Pappas	14	17	11	42
Blanks	5	2	2	9
Alternate Delegates				
Elizabeth B. Cusack	12	16	9	37
Leo A. Roy	12	16	9	37
Blanks	8	4	6	18
State Committee Man				
Charles P. Burgess	13	15	10	38
Blanks	3	3	2	8
State Committee Woman				
Catherine A. E. Harcourt	3	4	6	13
Madge N. Ray	10	11	4	25
Blanks	3	3	2	8
Town Committee				
Albert P. Durkee	14	17	12	43
Harlan E. Tuttle	14	18	12	44
Carol H. Flagg	14	17	12	43
Margaret B. Moody	14	18	12	44
Madeleine S. Schmitz	14	15	12	41
E. Martina Pendergast	14	15	12	41
Albert W. Locke	15	18	12	45
Lowell H. Cram	14	15	12	41
Arthur W. Lee	15	18	12	45
Hazel Priscilla Vose	14	15	12	41
Benjamin John Ineson	14	15	12	41
Sue P. Newport	14	15	12	41
Richard F. Deane	15	18	12	45
Edwin H. Christofferson	15	18	12	45
Charles Judd Farley	14	18	12	44
Blanks	26	20	-	46

Warrant for State Primary September 14, 1948

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in Precinct 1 - Town Hall; Acton; Precinct 2 - Congregational Church, South Acton; Precinct 3 - Woman's Club House, West Acton Tuesday, the fourteenth day of September, 1948 at twelve o'clock noon for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following officers:

Governor	for this Commonwealth.
Lieutenant Governor	" " "
Secretary of the Commonwealth	" " "
Treasurer and Receiver-General	" " "
Auditor of the Commonwealth	" " "
Attorney General	" " "
Senator in Congress	" " "
Representative in Congress	Fifth Congressional District
Councillor	Third Councillor District
Senator	Fifth Middlesex Senatorial "
One Representative in General Court	Eleventh Middlesex Representative "
Register of Probate and Insolvency	Middlesex County
County Commissioners ^{rs} (2)	Middlesex County
County Treasurer	Middlesex County

Vacancy

In Middlesex County: A Sheriff
The polls will be open from 12 noon to 8 p.m.
Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.
Given under our hands this twenty-fifth day of August A.D. 1948.

George S. Braman
Lawrence Donnelly

Selectmen of Acton

A true copy.

Attest:

T. Frederick S. Kennedy Constable

September 4th, 1948.

Record of State Primary, Held September 14, 1948

Vote of the Democratic Party

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole Number Votes Cast	9	11	11	31
Governor				
Paul A. Dever	8	9	7	24
Maurice J. Tobin	1	2	4	7
Blanks				
Lieutenant Governor				
Edward P. Barry	1	2	1	4
Benedict F. FitzGerald, Jr.	5	4	6	15
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan	3	3	2	8
Blanks		2	2	4
Secretary				
Edward J. Cronin	4	7	7	18
Jerome Patrick Troy	5	2	2	9
Blanks		2	2	4
Treasurer				
John E. Hurley	8	9	10	27
Blanks	1	2	1	4
Auditor				
Thomas J. Buckley	9	10	9	28
Blanks	1	1	2	3
Attorney General				
Enrico Cappucci			3	3
John F. Kelley	4	6	5	15
Francis E. Kelly	3	2	1	6
Patrick Gilbert Sullivan	2	3	2	7
Blanks				
Senator In Congress				
John I. Fitzgerald	4	6		10
Francis D. Harrigan	1		4	5
Joseph A. Langone, Jr.			1	1
John D. Lynch	2	2	1	5
Richard M. Russell	1	2	4	7
Blanks	1	1	1	3
Congressman				
Blanks	9	11	11	31
Councillor				
Donald B. Falvey, Jr.	8	6	9	23
Blanks	1	5	2	8
Senator				
Blanks	9	11	11	31
Representative in General Court				
Charles A. Gregoire	4	3	3	10
Daniel J. Hart	5	7	5	17
Blanks		1	3	4

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Register of Probate & Insolvency				
John J. Butler	9	8	8	25
Blanks		3	3	6
County Commissioners				
James A. Cullen	7	6	10	23
Blanks	11	16	12	39
County Treasurer				
Blanks	9	11	11	31
Sheriff				
Patrick J. Brennan	4	5	4	13
Roger Joseph Kane			1	1
John W. Kelleher	3	3	4	10
Horace H. Walker	2	1		3
Blanks		2	2	4

Record of State Primary, Held September 14, 1948

The Vote of the Republican Party

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole Number of Votes Cast	177	112	156	445
Governor				
Robert F. Bradford	149	90	128	367
Edward M. Rowe	24	17	25	66
Blanks	4	5	3	12
Lieutenant Governor				
Arthur W. Coolidge	171	106	149	426
Blanks	6	6	7	19
Secretary				
Frederic W. Cook	168	107	147	422
Blanks	9	5	9	23
Treasurer				
Laurence Curtis	164	104	147	415
Blanks	13	8	9	30
Auditor				
Douglas Lawson	20	10	18	48
Edwin L. Olander, Jr.	63	48	77	188
Wallace E. Stearns	5	1	6	12
Russell A. Wood	66	41	39	146
Blanks	23	12	16	51
Attorney General				
Clarence A. Barnes	161	107	142	410
Blanks	16	5	14	35
Senator in Congress				
Leverett Saltonstall	169	107	148	424
Blanks	8	5	8	21
Congressman				
Edith Nourse Rogers	167	104	149	420
Blanks	10	8	7	25
Councillor				
Otis M. Whitney	150	98	138	386
Walter H. McCarron, Sr.	10	5	9	24
Blanks	17	9	9	35
Senator				
Richard I. Furbush	153	104	148	405
Blanks	24	8	8	40

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Representative in General Court				
Warren W. Allgrove	14	16	11	41
Edward J. DeSaulnier, Jr.	13	5	8	26
Albert P. Durkee	128	86	116	330
Raymond H. Greenwood	15	4	12	31
Charles A. Gregoire	1		2	3
Samuel A. Richards	2	1	1	4
Blanks	4		6	10
Register of Probate and Insolvency				
Loring P. Jordan	126	81	120	327
John F. Lombard	23	16	26	65
Blanks	28	15	10	53
County Commissioners				
William G. Andrew	97	67	97	261
Edwin O. Childs	115	71	108	294
Harland J. Barnes	42	27	35	104
Albert L. Sargent	24	14	29	67
Blanks	76	45	43	164
County Treasurer				
Charles P. Howard	155	99	143	397
Blanks	22	13	13	48
Sheriff:				
Smith J. Adams	15	11	13	39
Paul J. Allen	2	6	5	13
Louis E. Boutwell	126	72	108	306
Francis J. Cook	9	9	8	26
Frederick L. Galbraith	1	4	3	8
Francis P. Shea, Jr.			2	2
Horace H. Walker	4	2	1	7
Blanks	20	8	16	44

Warrant for Presidential Election
held November 2, 1948

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County,
Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify
and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in
Elections to meet in: Precinct 1 - Town Hall, Acton Center;
Precinct 2 - Congregational Church, South Acton; Precinct 3 -
Woman's Club House, West Acton; Tuesday, the Second day of November,
1948 at eleven o'clock A.M. for the following purposes:

Then and there to bring into the Precinct Officers of their
respective precincts their votes on one ballot for:

Presidential Electors

Governor	for this Commonwealth
Lieutenant Governor	" " "
Secretary of the Commonwealth	" " "
Treasurer	" " "
Auditor of the Commonwealth	" " "
Attorney General	" " "
Senator in Congress	" " "
Representative in Congress	" the 5th Congressional District
Councillor	" " 3rd Councillor District
Senator	for the 5th Middlesex Senatorial District
One Representative in General Court,	for the 11th Middlesex Represent- ative District
Register of Probate and Insolvency	for Middlesex County
Two County Commissioners	" " "
County Treasurer	" " "
One Sheriff (to fill vacancy)	" " "

And also to vote on the following questions:

Question No. 1

Proposed amendment to the Constitution.

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution
summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a joint
session of the two branches held June 28, 1945, received 227 votes
in the affirmative and 0 in the negative, and in a joint session of
the two branches held June 9, 1947, received 232 votes in the YES
affirmative and 8 in the negative? NO

Summary

This proposed amendment to the Constitution adds to the declaration
of the rights of the inhabitants, as now set forth in the Constitution
the following: "The right of free speech shall not be abridged."

Question No. 2

Proposed amendment to the Constitution.

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution
summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a joint
session of the two branches held June 6, 1946, received 220 votes
in the affirmative and 28 in the negative and in a joint session of
the two branches held June 9, 1947, received 228 votes in the YES
affirmative and 5 in the negative? NO

Summary

This proposed amendment to the Constitution provides that the use
of revenue from fees, duties, excises or license taxes relating
to the registration, operation or use of vehicles on public highways
or to fuels used for propelling such vehicles, except revenue from
any excise tax imposed for the privilege of registering such vehicles
in lieu of local property taxes, shall be for highway purposes only.

Question No. 3

Proposed amendment to the Constitution.

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held June 6, 1946, received 243 votes in the affirmative and 0 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held June 3, 1948, received 231 votes in the affirmative and 9 in the negative? YES
NO

Summary

This is an amendment of Article XVII of the Amendments to the Constitution. It provides that in case of a failure to elect the secretary, treasurer, and receiver general, auditor or attorney general of the Commonwealth, or in case of the death of a person elected to any of such offices between the day of election and the third Wednesday of the following January, such an officer shall be chosen by a joint ballot of the senators and representatives from the people at large, instead of from the two persons who had the highest number of votes at the election as is now required. It also provides that if there is a vacancy in any of such offices during a session of the Legislature the vacancy shall be filled in like manner by choice from the people at large, but if the vacancy occurs at any other time it shall be filled by appointment by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council.

Question No. 4

Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of representatives by a vote of 84 in the affirmative and 130 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 15 in the affirmative and 22 in the negative? YES
NO

Summary

This measure by amending General Laws (Ter.Ed.) Chapter 272, Section 21 provides that the provisions of Sections 20 and 21 of said Chapter 272 which make it an offense to advertise or give information as to the procurement of means for the prevention of pregnancy or conception shall not apply to treatment or prescription given to married women by registered physicians for protection of life or health.

Question No. 5

Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 5 in the affirmative and 203 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 0 in the affirmative and 36 in the negative? YES
NO

Summary

This measure prohibits the denial of the opportunity to obtain or retain employment because of membership or non-membership in a labor organization and prohibits agreements which exclude any person from employment because of membership or non-membership in a labor organization. Violation of the provisions of the measure is made an offense punishable by fine or imprisonment or both.

Question No. 6

Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 82 in the affirmative and 126 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 13 in the affirmative and 20 in the negative? YES
NO

Summary

This measure requires that elections of officers of labor organizations shall be held at least annually. Sixty days' notice of regular election and twenty days' notice of an election to fill one or more vacancies are required to be given by public announcement at a regular meeting, by notice in writing to each member, or in any other adequate manner. Candidates to be voted for must be nominated by a paper signed by ten members filed at least thirty days before a regular election and at least ten days before an election to fill a vacancy. The voting at such an election must be by secret written or printed ballot. Watchers appointed by nominating members and by union officers may be present during the voting and counting of ballots. Coercion and intimidation of members in connection with an election is prohibited, and violations of the provisions of the measure are made punishable by fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than thirty days or both.

Question No. 7

Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 95 in the affirmative and 110 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 14 in the affirmative and 18 in the negative? YES NO

Summary

This measure prohibits the calling of a strike by a labor organization in any business or plant or unit thereof, except when authorized by the vote of the majority of all the members of the organization employed in the business, plant or unit thereof. Such authorization is to be expressed by a secret written or printed ballot at a meeting called for that purpose. The Labor Relations Commission is authorized to make rules for the conduct of the voting. Within twenty-four hours after the voting the labor organization conducting it shall make a written report of the result to the commission, which shall be a permanent public record. If no report is filed the vote taken shall be void and a person making a false report shall be guilty of perjury. Coercion and intimidation of members of a labor organization in connection with such voting is made a penal offense.

Question No. 8

It is desirable that the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, -

"ARTICLE -

"SECTION 1. No person shall be elected to office of the President more than twice, and no person who has held the office of President, or acted as President, for more than two years of a term to which some other person was elected President shall be elected to the office of the President more than once. But this Article shall not apply to any person holding the office of President when this Article was proposed by the Congress, and shall not prevent any person who may be holding the office of President, or acting as President, during the term within which this Article becomes operative from holding the office of President or acting as President during the remainder of such term.

"SECTION 2. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States within several years from the date of its submission to the States by the Congress," YES NO
be ratified by the general court?

Question No. 9

A. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whisky, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)? YES NO

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)? YES NO

C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises? YES NO

The polls will be open from 11 A.M. to 8 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this twentieth day of October, 1948.

George S. Braman
Arthur W. Lee
Lawrence Donnelly

Selectmen of Acton

A true copy.

Attest

Constable of Acton

Acton, Mass. October 25, 1948

Middlesex, SS.

I have served the within named warrant by posting an attested copy of the same at 20 of the public places of said town seven days before the time of holding said meeting as within directed.

Michael Foley

Constable of Acton

Presidential Election held November 2, 1948

R - Republican
D - Democratic
S.L.P. - Socialist Labor Party
P - Prohibition Party
Prog.- Progressive

		Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole number of ballots cast		495	570	547	1612
Electors of President and Vice-President					
Dewey and Warren	R.	398	400	421	1219
Teichert and Emery	S.L.P.	1	1		2
Truman and Barkley	D.	77	145	113	335
Wallace and Taylor	Prog.	4	8	1	13
Watson and Learn	P.	2			2
Thomas		2	1		3
Blanks		11	15	12	38
Governor					
Robert F. Bradford	R.	375	365	386	1126
Paul A. Dever	D.	109	198	151	458
Horace I. Hillis	S.L.P.	2			2
Mark R. Shaw	P.			2	2
Blanks		9	7	8	24
Lieutenant Governor					
Arthur W. Coolidge	R.	394	396	419	1209
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan	D.	91	158	120	369
Lawrence Gilfedder	S.L.P.	1			1
Guy S. Williams	P.			2	2
Blanks		9	16	6	31
Secretary					
Frederic W. Cook	R.	425	427	454	1306
Edward J. Cronin	D.	56	123	85	264
Gote E. Palmquist	S.L.P.	2			2
Blanks		12	20	8	40
Treasurer					
Laurence Curtis	R.	408	408	422	1238
John E. Hurley	D.	73	142	109	324
Harold J. Ireland	P.		2	1	3
Malcolm T. Rowe	S.L.P.	2	1	0	3
Blanks		12	17	15	44
Auditor					
Thomas J. Buckley	D.	98	179	157	434
Russell A. Wood	R.	380	367	370	1117
Robert A. Simmons	P.		2	2	4
Francis A. Votano	S.L.P.	1			1
Blanks		16	22	18	56
Attorney General					
Clarence A. Barnes	R.	410	400	420	1230
Francis E. Kelly	D.	68	149	108	325
Anthony Martin	S.L.P.	2		2	4
Blanks		15	21	17	53
Senator In Congress					
Leverett Saltonstall	R.	423	431	451	1305
John I. Fitzgerald	D.	63	126	89	278
Henning A. Blomen	S.L.P.	3	2		5
E. Tallmadge Root	P.				
Blanks		6	11	7	24

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Congressman				
Edith Nourse Rogers R.	460	517	511	1488
Blanks	35	53	36	124
Councillor				
Otis M. Whitney R.	412	422	433	1267
Donald B. Falvey, Jr. D.	64	120	91	275
Blanks	19	28	23	70
Senator				
Richard I. Furbush R.	444	462	482	1388
Blanks	51	108	65	224
Representative in General Court				
Edward J. DeSaulnier, Jr. R.	386	382	403	1171
Daniel J. Hart D.	87	146	110	343
Blanks	22	42	34	98
Register of Probate and Insolvency				
Loring P. Jordan R.	410	397	425	1232
John J. Butler D.	63	116	94	273
Blanks	22	57	28	107
County Commissioners				
William G. Andrew R.	396	376	401	1173
Edwin O. Childs R.	311	301	316	928
James A. Cullen D.	74	136	112	322
Blanks	209	327	265	801
County Treasurer				
Charles P. Howard R.	439	458	481	1378
Blanks	56	112	66	234
Sheriff				
Louis E. Boutwell R.	416	407	433	1256
Patrick J. Brennan D.	66	123	92	281
Blanks	13	40	22	75
Question No. 1				
Yes	393	373	399	1165
No	30	51	46	127
Blanks	72	146	102	320
Question No. 2				
Yes	400	388	411	1199
No	30	44	54	128
Blanks	65	138	82	285
Question No. 3				
Yes	378	330	377	1085
No	28	57	55	140
Blanks	89	183	115	387
Question No. 4				
Yes	318	268	296	882
No	126	201	188	515
Blanks	51	101	63	215
Question No. 5				
Yes	231	191	237	659
No	198	279	232	709
Blanks	66	100	78	244

		Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Question No. 6					
	Yes	268	227	294	789
	No	159	249	172	580
	Blanks	68	194	81	243
Question No. 7					
	Yes	271	223	292	786
	No	157	248	173	578
	Blanks	67	99	82	248
Question No. 8					
	Yes	328	320	330	978
	No	82	94	106	282
	Blanks	85	156	111	352
Question No. 9					
Alcoholic license					
A	Yes	174	219	187	580
	No	257	233	273	763
	Blanks	64	118	87	269
B	Yes	177	280	197	654
	No	246	175	255	676
	Blanks	72	115	95	282
C	Yes	295	317	340	952
	No	165	154	149	468
	Blanks	35	99	58	192

Recount

Presidential Election held Nov., 2, 1948
on
Question 9B

We certify that the following is a true record of votes given for Question 9B, in the town of Acton, at the election held on the 2nd day of November 1948, as determined by a recount held November 9, 1948.

Yes	653	Votes
No	690	Votes
Blanks	269	Votes
Whole number of Ballots	1612	

Registrars of Voters
of the town of Acton

James B. Wilson
Harland E. Tuttle
Grace J. Cullinane
Julia A. Barry

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting,
held March 14, 1949
Town Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS.
Seal

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton,
in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
you are hereby directed to notify the legal voters
of said Town of Acton, qualified to vote at town
meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to
meet in their respective precincts, to wit;

Precinct 1 - Town Hall, Acton Center

Precinct 2 - Congregational Church, South Acton

Precinct 3 - Women's Club House, West Acton

at 12 o'clock noon, Monday, the seventh day of March
1949, by posting a copy of this warrant, by you
attested, at each of the places as directed by vote
of the town, seven days at least before the seventh
day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the
following town officers: Moderator, town clerk,
town treasurer, collector of taxes, one selectman
for three years; one assessor for three years; one
member of the board of public welfare for three years;
four constables for one year; one cemetery commis-
sioner for three years; two members of the school
committee for three years; one member of the board of
health for three years; one trustee Memorial Library
for three years; and a tree warden.

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon and close
at 8 o'clock p.m.

You are further requested in the name of the
Commonwealth to notify the legal voters of said
town of Acton as aforesaid, to meet at the TOWN HALL
in said Acton on Monday, March 14, 1949 at 7:30
o'clock p.m.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees
and fix the salary and compensation of all elective
officers of the town.
- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several
reports of the town officers and boards or act any-
thing thereon.
- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees
chosen at any previous meeting that have not al-
ready reported.
- Article 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate
the sum of \$500.00, or some other sum, for the
observance of Memorial Day, this sum to be expended
under the direction of a committee appointed by
the Board of Selectmen, or act anything thereon.

- Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.
- Article 6. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2500.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or act anything thereon.
- Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for the use of the Treasurer to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer. The amount spent for board and disposal of dogs will be reimbursed by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.
- Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 or some other sum, so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year, or act anything thereon.
- Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees, or act anything thereon.
- Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the necessary expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.
- Article 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Accounts, the sum of \$800.00 for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows, or act anything thereon.
- Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the painting of traffic lines and signs, or act anything thereon.
- Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle Line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with \$3000.00 to be allotted by the County and \$6000.00 to be allotted by the State, or act anything thereon.
- Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of snow fence, or act anything thereon.
- Article 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.

- Article 16. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$1200.00 for the Purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the purchase of uniforms for the Police Department as by General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 6B, or act anything thereon.
- Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$1500.00 for the purchase of gas masks for the Fire Department, as required by Chapter 337, Section 51A, or act anything thereon.
- Article 19. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of three for further study of the playground situation in Precinct Three and for examination of sites therefor; and to appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for expenses in connection therewith; or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on request of the Playground Site Committee).
- Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the feeding of our shade trees or act anything thereon.
- Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the control of and checking of the Dutch Elm Disease, or act anything thereon.
- Article 22. To see if the town will vote to transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$975.00 for the purchase of a Gas Driven Chain Saw for the Tree Department, or act anything thereon.
- The price approximately for this is:
- | | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Model 3 ft. Two Man Saw | \$655.00 |
| 1 extra 3 ft. chain | 27.20 |
| 1 4 ft. Guide rail | 35.20 |
| 2 extra 4 ft. chains | 59.60 |
| Electric chain saw sharpener | 175.00 |
| Freight from factory | 3.00 |
| | \$955.00 |
- Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 for a survey and plans for a new fire house adjoining the Acton Center Fire House, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on request by Fire House building Committee.)
- Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 or any other amount for the Tree Department for eradication of poison ivy on the highways and streets of the town, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on a petition bearing sixteen (16) signatures.)
- Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of oiling roads and avenues in Mt. Hope Cemetery, or act anything thereon.
- Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to clean the streets on that part of Central Street, Massachusetts Avenue and Windsor

Avenue in the business section of West Acton, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on a petition bearing twenty-five (25) signatures)1

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for repairs to the town clock, or act anything thereon.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6500.00 or some other sum to procure or buy, and grade a certain tract of land in that part of Acton known as West Acton, bounded and described as follows:

"A strip, 150' wide parallel to the eastern boundary of land now owned by the Town and known as the West Acton School Property and adjacent thereto, extending from the southern boundary of land now or formerly held in the name of Helen A. Knowlton, Trustee, or the easterly extension of such a southern boundary, to the intersection with a line formed by the easterly extension of the southern boundary of land now owned by the Town and known as the West Acton School Property." Said land to be graded in conjunction with land now owned by the town adjacent thereto to provide a satisfactory playground.

All of said land to be used for recreational purposes in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 45 of the General Laws (Tercentenary Edition) of this Commonwealth, said land to be held in trust by the Selectmen until it can be placed under the supervision and control of the Board of Recreation Commissioners, when and if such a board is elected or appointed, or to act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on a petition bearing thirteen (13) signatures.)

Article 29. T To see if the town will take any action to establish a Board of Recreation Commissioners, consisting of one member each from Precincts 1, 2 and 3, to function in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 45 of the General Laws (Tercentenary Edition) of this Commonwealth, or to take any action relative thereon. (Inserted in warrant on a petition bearing thirteen (13) signatures.)

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$4000.00, appropriated and raised, but not disbursed, as a result of the Town's acceptance of Articles 23 and 24 of the Warrant for the March, 1948 Town Meeting, to the Board of Recreation Commissioners in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 45 of the General Laws (Tercentenary Edition) of this Commonwealth, this sum to be expended for recreational purposes, or to take any action relative thereon. (Inserted in warrant on a petition bearing thirteen (13) signatures).

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to provide that the Collector of Taxes shall collect under the title of Town Collector all accounts due the town, or act anything thereon.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 for the installation of a fire alarm system which will be connected with several industrial plants in South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Article 33. To see if the town will accept the gift of Ten Thousand (10,000) dollars from J. Roland Wetherbee of Putney, Georgia, to be known as the J. Roland Wetherbee Cemetery Fund, for the purpose of improving certain lots at Woodlawn Cemetery pursuant to the terms of a written instrument dated October 9, 1948 or act anything thereon.

Article 34. To see if the town will approve the making of such regulations, consistent with the Law, by the Cemetery Commissioners, as they may deem expedient, to modify, improve, add to, and modernize the Cemetery Regulations, and act anything thereon.

Article 35. Will the Town adopt a resolution affording the people of Acton the opportunity to express to their representatives in Congress, in the Executive Department of the United States and in the United Nations their deep feeling regarding war and peace and to request their representatives in Congress to support the Resolutions now pending in Congress seeking action to make the United Nations capable of enacting, interpreting and enforcing world law to assure peace? (Inserted in warrant on a petition bearing sixteen (16) signatures)

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to pay the cost of effecting insurance providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property, caused by the operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter.Ed) Chapter 40, Section 5, Sub-section 1, as amended, or act anything thereon.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and their successors in office, to sell at public auction or private sales, any property heretofore or hereafter acquired by the town under the title proceedings, to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions as they may deem expedient and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town, deeds or other instruments therefor, or take any other action relative thereto, to do or act thereon.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5000.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account as a Reserve Fund, or act anything thereon.

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$170.36 to pay the following unpaid bills for 1948, or do or act anything thereon.

School Department:

Boston Edison Co.- - - - -	\$123.49
City of Newton - - - - -	46.87

\$170.36

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this twelfth day of January, 1949.

George S. Braman
Arthur W. Lee
Lawrence Donnelly

Selectmen of
Acton

A true copy, attest

Constable of Acton.

Acton, Mass., February 24, 1949
Middlesex, S.S.

I have served the within named warrant by posting an attested copy of the same at 23 of the public places of said town seven days before the time of holding said meeting as within directed.

Michael Foley Constable of Acton.

Record of Town Election held March 7, 1949

	Pct. 1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole Number of Votes Cast	241	256	340	837
Moderator, one year				
Albert P. Durkee	172	150	141	463
sworn by town clerk March 10, 1949				
James Edward Kinsley	67	100	198	365
Blanks	2	6	1	9
Town Clerk, one year				
Harlan E. Tuttle	231	245	320	796
sworn by moderator March 10, 1949				
Scattered	1			1
Blanks	9	11	20	40
Selectman, three years				
George S. Braman	221	229	310	760
sworn by town clerk March 8, 1949				
Scattered	1	1		2
Blanks	19	26	30	75
Assessor, three years				
Carl C. Flint	217	245	318	780
sworn by town clerk March 10, 1949				
Blanks	24	11	22	57
Board of Public Welfare, three years				
Mary M. Laffin	156	183	252	591
John F. Canessa	55	33	36	124
Blanks	30	40	52	122
Treasurer, one year				
William Henry Soar	222	232	313	767
sworn by town clerk March 14, 1949				
Blanks	19	24	27	70
Collector of Taxes, one year				
Carrie M. Durkee	230	240	319	789
sworn by town clerk March 9, 1949				
Blanks	11	16	21	48
School Committee, three years				
Katherine Mary Kinsley	66	99	195	360
Marion C. Reed	91	140	154	385
sworn by town clerk March 8, 1949				
Charles V. Sturdivant	160	135	147	442
sworn by town clerk March 9, 1949				
Theodore G. Williams	123	91	127	341
Blanks	42	47	57	146
Constables, one year				
Michael Foley	196	222	308	726
sworn by town clerk March 14, 1949				
T. Frederick S. Kennedy	213	211	299	723
sworn by town clerk March 12, 1949				
Ivar Peterson	225	213	299	737
sworn by town clerk March 18, 1949				
Robert George Willett	203	217	296	716
Scattered	4	2		6
Blanks	123	159	158	440

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Cemetery Commissioner, three years				
Howard F. Jones	224	236	311	771
Blanks	17	20	29	66
Board of Health, three years				
O. Lawrence Clark	217	233	308	758
sworn by town clerk March 9, 1949				
Scattered			2	2
Blanks	24	23	30	77
Trustee of Memorial Library, three years				
Gertrude P. Tuttle	217	227	311	755
sworn by town clerk March 8, 1949				
Scattered			1	1
Blanks	24	29	28	81
Tree Warden, one year				
James J. Knight	218	228	311	757
sworn by town clerk March 14, 1949				
Blanks	23	28	29	80

Recount For School Committee

March 15, 1949

We certify that the following is a true record of votes given for School Committee, in the Town of Acton, at the election held on the 7th day of March 1949, as determined by a recount held March 15, 1949.

Katherine Mary Kinsley, 265 Central St.	360
Marion C. Reed, 577 Mass. Ave.	384
Charles V. Sturdivant, 132 Prospect St.	442
Theodore G. Williams, 7 Church St.	337
Blanks	151
Whole number of ballots cast	837

James B. Wilson
Julia A. Barry
Grace J. Cullinane
Harlan E. Tuttle

Registrars of Voters
of the town of
Acton

Abstract of the Proceedings of the
Annual Town Meeting, March 14, 1949

- Article 1.. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and
Officers fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers
of the town.

Chose: Grace O. Lears trustee of the Elizabeth White
Fund for three years.

Chose: Herbert Merriam trustee of the Acton Firemen's
Relief Fund for three years.

Chose: James B. Wilson trustee of the West Acton Firemen's
Relief Fund for three years.

Chose: Horace F. Tuttle trustee of the Goodnow Fund for
three years.

Voted: that the salary of the Tax Collector be twelve
hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Selectmen be four hundred dollars per annum and the other
members three hundred dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salaries of the Assessors be two thousand
dollars in the aggregate per annum to be apportioned as
they may determine.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Health be twenty-five dollars per annum; the clerk fifteen
dollars and the other members ten dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Public Welfare be one hundred and twenty-five dollars per
annum and that of the other members seventy-five dollars
each per annum and that the Board of Public Welfare be
authorized to appoint one of its members as agent, at a
salary of \$600.00, in accordance with the provisions of
Section 4A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Clerk be three hundred
and fifty dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Treasurer be eight
hundred dollars per annum, said salary to be retroactive
to January 1, 1949.

Voted: That the salary of the Tree Warden be fixed at
\$1.25 per hour plus 75 cents per hour for use of a truck.

Voted: That the salary of the Moderator be fifteen dol-
lars for the annual meeting and ten dollars for each
special meeting.

- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports
Reports of the town officers and boards or act anything thereon.

Voted: To accept the several reports of the town officers
and that a vote of thanks be extended to the High School
Roofing Committee for their time and effort in repairing
the roof.

- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen
at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Article 3.
(cont.)

Report of Fire House Committee
Precinct I

Present Building

Inside 18' 8", boiler room and stairway takes off 6'.
One stall is 17' 6" long.

In order to get forest fire truck in, an extension had to be added to the front by the firemen of Acton Center with no expense to the town except for materials.

Present doors are 8' by 7' 6" and are just ordinary garage doors. In order to get the new truck in casings had to be taken off and connection caps off the side of the truck. This truck has to be full of water or it will not go in for height.

The committee sees no way to remodel this building to make it suitable for a fire house for modern equipment as it is too small in three dimensions.

After many committee meetings and on the advise of the architect who designed the West Concord fire house, it was decided to leave the old building the way it is and build an entirely new fire house connected to the present building.

The committee feels that before it can arrive at a definite cost it would have to have soundings taken and preliminary plans.

It is the feeling of the committee that the building should be left as it is and can be valuable to the town for some other town department.

H. Stuart MacGregor
Lloyd L. Priest
F. Wendell Putnam, Jr.
Edward J. Bursaw
Walter B. Stevens, Chairman

Voted: To accept the report of the committee on the Fire house in Precinct 1.

Article 4.

Memorial
Day

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00, or some other sum, for the observance of Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (500) dollars for the observance of Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 5.

Borrow
Money

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Voted Unanimously: To authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6.

Machinery
Fund

To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2500.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account or act anything thereon.

Voted: To transfer the sum of Twenty-five Hundred (2500) dollars from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for the use of the Treasurer to pay the Dog Officer expenses of the local Dog Officer. The amount spent for board and disposal of dogs will be reimbursed by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Fifty (450) dollars for the use of the Treasurer, to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 or some other sum, so that the Board of Garbage Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand (2000) dollars, so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty (250) dollars for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the necessary expenses of the Expenses several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

Voted: That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated for the several purposes hereinafter designated and that the same be expended only for the purposes under the direction of the respective boards, committees, or officers of the town as follows:

General Government	
1 Moderator	\$ 25.
2 Finance Committee	100.
3 Selectmen, Salaries & Wages	2,300.
4 Expenses	150.
5 Town Accountant, Salaries & Wages	800.
6 Expenses	50.
7 Treasurer, Salaries & Wages	800.
8 Expenses	250.
9 Collector, Salaries & Wages	1,550.
10 Expenses	300.
11 Assessors, Salaries & Wages	2,350.
12 Expenses	250.
13 Town Clerk, Salaries & Fees	500.
14 Expenses	200.
15 Elections & Registrations, Salaries & Wages	594.
16 Expenses	430.
17 Total General Government	<hr/> \$10,649.
Buildings & Grounds	
18 Buildings & Grounds, Sal. & Wages	\$ 2,885.
19 Expenses	2,930.
20 Total Buildings & Grounds	<hr/> \$ 5,815.
Protection of Persons & Property	
21 Police, Salaries & Wages	\$ 6,126.
22 Expenses including cruiser	1,475.
23 Fire Dept., Salaries & Wages	2,865.
24 Expenses	2,000.
25 Fire Alarm System, Labor	200.
26 Expenses	100.
27 Fire Hydrant Rental	4,126.
28 Forest Fire	1,500.

29 Sealer of Wgts. & Measures		
Salaries & Wages	225.	
30 Expenses	50.	
31 Moth Dept., Salaries & Wages	1,500.	
32 Expenses	1,200.	
33 Tree Warden, Salaries & Wages	1,750.	
34 Expenses	750.	
35 Total Protection		\$23,867
Health & Sanitation		
36 Board of Health, Salaries & Wages	\$ 4,300.	
37 Expenses	1,700.	
38 Inspection of Animals	150.	
39 Total Health & Sanitation		\$ 6,150.
Highways		
40 Village Highways	\$ 2,600.	
41 Chapter 81 Highways	8,550.	
42 Chapter 90 Highways	3,000.	
43 Snow Removal	10,500.	
44 Street Lighting	4,700.	
45 Total Highways		\$29,350.
Charities		
46 General Relief, Salaries & Wages	\$ 1,150.	
47 Expenses	150.	
48 Expenditure	4,500.	
49 Old Age Expenditure	30,000.	
50 A. C. C. Expenditure	5,500.	
51 Total Charities		\$41,300.
Veterans' Aid		
52 Veterans' Benefits, Sal. & Wages	\$ 150.	
53 Expenses	25.	
54 Expenditure	5,000.	
55 Veterans' Service, Salaries & Wages	1,050.	
56 Expenses	50.	
57 Total Veterans' Aid		\$ 6,275.
Education		
58 Schools, Salaries & Wages	\$73,000.	
59-66 Expenses	20,000.	
67 Total Education		\$93,000.
Libraries		
68 Libraries, Salaries & Wages	\$ 1,112.	
69 Expenses	1,100.	
70 Books	300.	
71 Total Libraries		\$ 2,512.
Recreation		
72 Playgrounds	\$ 1,000.	\$ 1,000.
Unclassified		
73 Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 1,000.	
74 Town Reports	800.	
75 Workmen's Compensation	900.	
76 Surety Bonds	365.	
77 Total Unclassified		\$ 3,065.
Cemeteries		
78 Cemeteries, Salaries & Wages	\$ 4,600.	
79 Expenses	1,000.	
80 Total Cemeteries		\$ 5,600.
Maturing Debt & Interest		
81 Maturing Debt	\$ 1,000.	
82 Interest	135.	
83 Total Debt & Interest		\$ 1,135.
Total Regular Expenses		\$229,718.
Transfers under Art. 10:		
Item 19. Expenses Bldgs. & Grounds	\$ 800.	
(for repairs to fire alarm tanks at South Acton)		
Item 43. Snow Removal	500.	
Items 59-66. Education Expenses	1,200.	
(West Acton School Playground)		
Item 72. Recreation Improvement Goward Field	1,000.	
Total transfers from S.R. Acct. under Article 10	\$ 3,500.	
Total under Article 10		\$233,218.

Total Voted to be raised and appropriated under Article 10

\$229,718.

Special Articles:

Art. 4. Memorial Day	\$ 500.00
Art. 7. Dog Officer	450.
Art. 8. Collection of Garbage	2,000.
Art. 9. Tree Dept. New Trees	250.
Art. 12. Painting Traffic Lines	200.
Art. 13. Construction of Main St.	3,000.
Art. 14. Snow Fence	200.
Art. 17. Uniforms, Police Dept.	150.
Art. 19. Playground Study	200.
Art. 20. Feeding Shade Trees	500.
Art. 23. Plans for Fire House Pct. 1	400.
Art. 24. Tree Dept. - Poison Ivy	1,500.
Art. 25. Mt. Hope Cemetery	800.
Art. 27. Repairs Town Clock	200.
Art. 36. Insurance	700.
Art. 39. Unpaid Bills	170.36
Total Special Articles	\$ 11,220.36

Total Voted to be raised and appropriated

\$240,938.36

Transfers:

Art. 6. Machinery Account	\$ 2,500.
Art. 10. Several Items	3,500.
Art. 11. Snow Plow	800.
Art. 15. Chapters 81 & 90	23,825.
Art. 16. Equipment Fire Dept.	1,200.
Art. 18. Gas Masks Fire Dept.	1,500.
Art. 22. Tree Dept. Chain Saw	800.
Art. 32. Fire Alarm System, So. A.	2,000.
Art. 38. Reserve Fund	5,000.
Total Transfers	\$ 41,125.

Grand Total

\$282,063.36

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$800.00 for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows, or act anything thereon.

Snow Plow

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Eight Hundred (800) dollars for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the painting of traffic lines and signs, or act anything thereon.

Traffic Lines

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (200) dollars for the painting of traffic lines and signs.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle Line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with \$3000.00 to be allotted by the County and \$6000.00 to be allotted by the State, or act anything thereon.

Construction - Main St.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand (3000) dollars for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle Line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with Three Thousand (3000) dollars to be allotted by the County and Six Thousand (6000) dollars to be allotted by the State.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of snow fence, or act
Snow Fence anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (200) dollars for the purchase of snow fence.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.
Highways

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Twenty-three Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-five (23,825) dollars, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for Highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$1200.00 for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
Fire Dept.

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of Twelve Hundred (1200) dollars for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the purchase of uniforms for the Police Department as by General Laws Chapter 40, Section 6B, or act anything thereon.
Police Uniforms

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty (150) dollars for the purchase of uniforms for the Police Department as by General Laws Chapter 40, Section 6B.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$1500.00 for the purchase of gas masks for the Fire Department as required by Chapter 337, Section 51A, or act anything thereon.
Fire Dept.

Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of Fifteen Hundred (1500) dollars for the purchase of gas masks for the Fire Department as required by Chapter 337, Section 51A.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of three for further study of the playground situation in Precinct Three and for examination of sites therefor; and to appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for expenses in connection therewith; or act anything thereon.
Playground Study

Voted: To authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of three for further study of the playground situation in the Town of Acton and for examination of sites therefor; and to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (200) dollars for expenses in connection therewith.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the feeding of our shade trees, or act anything thereon.
Feeding Trees

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (500) dollars for the feeding of our shade trees.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the control of and checking the Dutch Elm Disease, or act anything thereon.
Dutch Elm Disease

Voted: To pass over the article.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$975.00 for the purchase of a Chain Saw for the Tree Department, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Eight Hundred (800) dollars for the purchase of a Gas Driven Chain Saw for the Tree Department.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 for a survey and plans for a new fire house adjoining the Acton Center Fire House, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred (400) dollars for a survey and plans for a new fire house and that the present committee continue to serve.
Present Committee: Walter B. Stevens, Edward J. Bursaw, F. Wendell Putnam, H. Stuart MacGregor and Lloyd W. Priest.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 or any other amount for the Tree Department for eradication of poison ivy on the highways and streets of the town, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred (1500) dollars for the Tree Department for the eradication of poison ivy on the highways and school grounds of the town.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 or any other sum for the purpose of oiling roads and avenues in Mt. Hope Cemetery, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred (800) dollars for the purpose of oiling roads and avenues in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate ~~xxx~~ a sum of money to clean the streets on that part of Central Street, Massachusetts Avenue and Windsor Avenue in the business section of West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for repairs to the town clock, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (200) dollars for repairs to the town clock.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500.00 or some other sum to procure or buy, and grade a certain tract of land in that part of Acton known as West Acton, bounded and described as follows:

"A strip, 150 feet wide parallel to the eastern boundary of land now owned by the Town and known as the West Acton School Property and adjacent thereto, extending from the southern boundary of land now or formerly held in the name of Helen A. Knowlton, ~~XXXXXX~~ Trustee, or the easterly extension of such a southern boundary to the intersection with a line formed by the easterly extension of the southern boundary of land now owned by the Town and known as the West Acton School Property." Said land to be graded in conjunction with land now owned by the town adjacent thereto to provide a satisfactory Playground.

All of said land to be used for recreational purposes in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 45 of the General Laws (Tercentenary Edition) of this Commonwealth, said land

Article 28. to be held in trust by the Selectmen until it can be
(cont.) placed under the supervision and control of the Board of
Recreation Commissioners, when and if such a board is
elected or appointed, or to act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.

Article 29. To see if the town will take any action to establish a
Board of Recreation Commissioners, consisting of one mem-
ber each from Precincts 1, 2, and 3, to function in com-
Recreation pliance with the provisions of Chapter 45 of the General
Commission Laws (Tercentenary Edition) of this Commonwealth, or to
take any action relative thereto.

Voted: To pass over the article.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$4000.00
appropriated and raised, but not disbursed, as a result of
the Town's acceptance of Articles 23 and 24 of the warrant
Recreation for the March 1948 Town Meeting, to the Board of Recreation
Commission Commissioners in compliance with the provisions of Chapter
45 of the General Laws (Tercentenary Edition) of this Com-
monwealth, this sum to be expended for recreational pur-
poses, or to take any action relative thereto.

Voted: To pass over the article.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to provide that the Collector
of Taxes shall collect under the title of Town Collector
Town all accounts due the town, or act anything thereon.
Collector

Voted: That the Collector of Taxes shall collect under
the title Town Collector all accounts due the town.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the
sum of \$2000.00 for the installation of a fire alarm system
Fire Alarm which will be connected with several industrial plants in
System South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the
sum of \$ Two Thousand (2000) dollars for the installation
of a fire alarm system which will be connected with several
industrial plants in South Acton.

Article 33. To see if the town will accept the gift of Ten Thousand
(10,000) dollars from J. Roland Wetherbee of Putney,
Cemetery Georgia, to be known as the J. Roland Wetherbee Cemetery
Fund Fund, for the purpose of improving certain lots at Wood-
lawn Cemetery pursuant to the terms of a written instru-
ment dated October 9, 1948, and act anything thereon.

Voted: That the town accept the gift of Ten Thousand
(10,000) dollars from J. Roland Wetherbee of Putney, Georgia,
to be known as the J. Roland Wetherbee Cemetery Fund, for
the purpose of improving certain lots at Woodlawn Cemetery
pursuant to the terms of a written instrument dated Octo-
ber 9, 1948.

Article 34. To see if the town will approve the making of such regula-
tions, consistent with the Law, by the Cemetery Commissioners,
Cemeteries as they may deem expedient, to modify, improve, add to, and
modernize the Cemetery Regulations, and act anything thereon.

Voted: That the town will approve the making of such regu-
lations, consistent with the Law, by the Cemetery Commis-
sioners, as they may deem expedient, to modify, improve,
add to, and modernize the Cemetery Regulations.

Article 35. Will the Town adopt a resolution affording the people of Acton the opportunity to express to their representatives in Congress, in the Executive Department of the United States and in the United Nations their deep feeling regarding war and peace, and to request their representatives in Congress to support the Resolutions now pending in Congress seeking action to make the United Nations capable of enacting, interpreting, and enforcing world law to assure peace?

Resolution -

Resolved: That the Town of Acton calls upon its representatives in Congress to take all possible steps to promote the strengthening of the United ~~XXXXXX~~ Nations into a government for world affairs, including support of resolutions for initiating Charter amendments to enable the United Nations to enact and enforce world law to assure peace.

Motion: I move that the town meeting accept the resolution as read by Mrs. Boardman as the resolution to be adopted by the town under Article 35 of the warrant.

Did not prevail.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to pay the cost of effecting insurance providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property, caused by the operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection 1, as amended, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to pay the cost of effecting insurance providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property, caused by the operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or ~~or~~ other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection 1, as amended.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and their successors in office, to sell at public auction or private sales, any property heretofore or hereafter acquired by the town under the title proceedings, to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions as they may deem expedient and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town, deeds or other instruments therefor, or take any other action relative thereto, to do or act thereon.

Voted: To authorize the Selectmen and their successors in office to sell at public auction or private sales, any property heretofore or hereafter acquired by the town under the title proceedings, to impose thereon such restrictions, reservations, or conditions as they may deem expedient and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the seal of the Town, deeds or other instruments therefor.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5000.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account as a Reserve Fund, or act anything thereon.

Reserve
Fund

Article 38. Voted: To appropriate the sum of Five Thousand (5000)
(cont.) dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account as a Reserve
Fund.

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the
sum of \$170.36 to pay the following unpaid bills for 1948,
or do or act anything thereon.

Unpaid
Bills

School Department

Boston Edison Co.	\$123.49
City of Newton	46.87
	<u>\$170.36</u>

Voted Unanimously: To raise and appropriate the sum of
One Hundred Seventy and 36/100 dollars to pay the following
unpaid bills for 1948.

School Department

Boston Edison Co.	\$123.49
City of Newton	46.87
	<u>\$170.36</u>

Number of voters checked:

Precinct 1 -	122
Precinct 2 -	105
Precinct 3 -	<u>117</u>
Total	344

Voted: To adjourn at 10:15 P.M.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting,
held March 13, 1950
Town Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS.
Seal

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in
said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you
are hereby directed to notify the legal voters of said
Town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for
the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their
respective precincts, to wit:

- Precinct 1 - Town Hall, Acton Center
- Precinct 2 - Congregational Church South Acton
- Precinct 3 - Woman's Club House, West Acton

at 12 o'clock noon, Monday, the sixth day of March, 1950,
by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at
each of the places as directed by vote of the town,
seven days at least before the sixth day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the follow-
ing town officers: Moderator, town clerk, town treasurer,
collector of taxes, one selectman for three years; one
assessor for three years; one member of the board of
public welfare for three years; four constables for one
year; one cemetery commissioner for three years; two
members of the school committee for three years; one
member of the board of health for three years; one
member of the board of health for one year (to fill
vacancy); one trustee Memorial Library for three years;
and a tree warden.

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close
at 8 o'clock p.m.

You are further requested in the name of the Common-
wealth to notify the legal voters of said town of
Acton as aforesaid, to meet at the TOWN HALL, in said
Acton on Monday, the thirteenth day, March, 1950 at
7:30 o'clock p.m.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees
and fix the salary and compensation of all elective
officers of the town.
- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several
reports of the town officers and boards or act any-
thing thereon.
- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees
chosen at any previous meeting that have not already
reported.
- Article 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate
the sum of \$500.00, or any other sum, for the observance
of Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the
direction of a committee appointed by the Board of
Selectmen, or act anything thereon.
- Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Finance
Committee to include in each annual budget, a sum of

money for the observance of Memorial Day and that this sum be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen, or act anything thereon.

- Article 6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1950 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws, or act anything thereon.
- Article 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in any fiscal year in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st of that current year, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws, or act anything thereon.
- Article 8. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2500.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or act anything thereon.
- Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for the use of the Treasurer to pay the expense of the local Dog Officer. The amount spent for board and disposal of dogs will be reimbursed by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.
- Article 10. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Finance Committee to include in each annual budget a sum for the use of the Treasurer to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer, or act anything thereon.
- Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 or any other sum, so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year, or act anything thereon.
- Article 12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Finance Committee to include in each annual budget a sum of money so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage or act anything thereon.
- Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees or act anything thereon.
- Article 14. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$4,750.00 for the rewiring, repairing and redecorating of the interior of the Town Hall, or act anything thereon.
- Article 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the necessary expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

- Article 16. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$800.00 for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows or act anything thereon.
- Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle Line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with \$4,000.00 to be allotted by the County and \$8,000.00 to be allotted by the State, or act anything thereon.
- Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of snow fence, or act anything thereon.
- Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.
- Article 20. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to annually instruct the Town Accountant to Transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.
- Article 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$1500.00 for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$600.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a new cruiser for the Police Department and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell the old cruiser, or act anything thereon.
- Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the feeding of our shade trees, or act anything thereon.
- Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for control work of the Dutch Elm Disease in accordance with Chapter 761 of the Acts of 1949, or act anything thereon.
- Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for repairs to the town sprayer, or act anything thereon.
- Article 26. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 129, Section 15 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 162 of the Acts of 1941 relative to the nomination of one or more Inspectors of Animals, which reads as follows: "In a town which has a board of health and accepts this paragraph, the nomination of such inspectors shall be made by the board of health and not by the selectmen."; or act anything thereon.

- Article 27. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 or any other sum, for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center on the present fire house location, according to plans submitted by the Fire House Committee, and determine how the same shall be raised, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on request of Fire House Committee.)
- Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2500.00, or any other amount, for the Tree Department for eradication of poison ivy on the highways, streets and school grounds, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on petition bearing thirty (30) signatures.)
- Article 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of oiling roads and avenues in Mt. Hope Cemetery, or act anything thereon.
- Article 30. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature for permission for the Town to acquire the West and South Water Supply District of Acton, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on petition bearing ten (10) signatures.)
- Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2600.00, or any other sum, for the extension of the Fire Alarm System from Edwards Square along Central Street to Nashoba Road, up Nashoba Road to property known as Jenks' Farm, then returning back to Elm Street, along Elm Street to Arlington Street and along Arlington Street to Edwards Square, with five or more fire alarm boxes, or act anything thereon.
- Article 32. To see if the town will vote to accept a gift of not more than Three Thousand (3000) Dollars from Ernest E. Wetherbee of Albany, Georgia, toward constructing a Memorial Entrance to Woodlawn Cemetery, near its easterly end on Concord Road at Grove Avenue in accordance with a plan filed with the Cemetery Commissioners, with their approval and under their supervision; and to authorize said Cemetery Commissioners to make contracts for such construction and to do anything necessary, proper, or expedient for carrying out the above purposes, or act anything thereon.
- Article 33. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint an inspector of wires as required by the provisions of Chapter 529 of the Acts of 1949 and raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the same, or act anything thereon.
- Article 34. To see if the town will accept the bequest to the Town of Acton under the provisions of the will of Betsey Morse Ball, late of Marlborough, Massachusetts; and authorize the Selectmen to act in accordance therewith, or act anything thereon.
- Article 35. To see if the town will vote to authorize the dissolution of the School Survey Committee and to return the balance remaining in the School Survey Committee account to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant by permission of the School Survey Committee.)

- Article 36. To see if the town will vote to create a special unpaid board to be known as a regional school district planning board, as provided for in Sections 14 and 14A of Chapter 71, General Laws, to consist of three members, including one member of the School Committee, to be appointed by the Town Moderator, to report at the next special or regular meeting, and to raise and appropriate \$100.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for expenses, or act anything thereon.
- Article 37. To see if the town will vote to create a special school building committee of five members to be appointed by the Moderator, to investigate the design, construction, site, costs of additional school facilities, and methods of financing, and report to the next special or regular town meeting, or act anything thereon.
- Article 38. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 for expenses for the school building committee, mentioned in the previous article, or take any other action thereto.
- Article 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3500.00 for painting the exteriors of the South, Center, West and High School buildings, or act anything thereon.
- Article 40. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 to refinish the ceilings in the South, Center, West and High Schools, or act anything thereon.
- Article 41. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 to refinish and repaint the interior of the High School or act anything thereon.
- Article 42. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 for the installation of a new heating unit at the Center School, or act anything thereon.
- Article 43. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take necessary steps for Traffic Zoning in the Town of Acton and raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the expenses of the same, or act anything thereon.
- Article 44. To see if the town will vote to accept as a town way, the laying out by the Board of Selectmen of a road in South Acton extending in a southeasterly direction from Main Street, a distance of approximately 473 feet by land of Flanagan and Waluk, a plan of which is filed in the office of the Town Clerk, said way to be named Lenore Street and raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the same or act anything thereon.
- Article 45. To see if the town will vote to accept as a town way, the laying out by the Board of Selectmen of a road in South Acton extending in a westerly direction from Main Street, a distance of approximately 250 feet by land of Farrell, Byers and others, a plan of which is filed in the office of the Town Clerk, said way to be named Pine Street; and raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the same, or act anything thereon.
- Article 46. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 to pay the cost of effecting insurance

providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property, caused by operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection 1, as amended, or act anything thereon.

- Article 47. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$400.00 for the purchase of a lowering device, for the Cemetery Department, and authorize the Board of Cemetery Commissioners to trade-in or sell any old lowering device or act anything thereon.
- Article 48. To see if the town will vote to accept as a town by-law the provisions of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, Section 21, Paragraph 17, to prohibit unlicensed stripping of farm land, as printed in the town report under Proposed Earth Removal By-Law, or act anything thereon.
- Article 49. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the roof timbers and outside foundation wall of the Town Hall as ordered by an inspector of the department of Public Safety, or act anything thereon.
- Article 50. To see if the town will vote to authorize the dissolution of the Post-War Public Works Committee and to return to the Surplus Revenue Account the balance of their appropriations, or act anything thereon.
- Article 51. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5000.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account as a Reserve Fund, or act anything thereon.
- Article 52. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purpose of purchasing additional folding chairs for the Town Hall, or act anything thereon.
- Article 53. To see if the town will vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a committee of three to revise and bring the Town By-Laws up to date or act anything thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this Twenty-fifth
day of January, 1950.

Lawrence Donnelly
George S. Braman
Arthur W. Lee

Selectmen of
Acton

A true copy, attest

Constable of Acton .

Acton, Mass., February 24, 1950
Middlesex, S.S.

I have served the within named warrant by posting
an attested copy of the same at 22 of the public
places of said town seven days before the time of
holding said meeting as within directed.

Michael Foley

Constable of Acton.

Record of Town Election held March 6, 1950

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole number of ballots cast	292	348	376	1016
Moderator, one year				
Albert P. Durkee	271	298	336	905
sworn by town clerk March 11, 1950				
Scattered		1		1
Blanks	21	49	40	110
Town Clerk, one year				
Harlan E. Tuttle	271	320	347	938
sworn by moderator March 11, 1950				
Blanks	21	28	29	78
Selectman, three years				
Lawrence Donnelly	266	293	328	887
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1950				
Scattered	1			1
Blanks	26	54	48	128
Assessor, three years				
Albert P. Durkee	265	292	336	893
sworn by town clerk March 11, 1950				
Blanks	27	56	40	123
Board of Public Welfare, three years				
Foster R. MacKinnon	139	125	193	457
Walter B. Stevens	147	207	170	524
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1950				
Scattered			1	1
Blanks	6	16	12	34
Treasurer, one year				
William Henry Soar	260	305	340	905
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1950				
Blanks	32	43	36	111
Collector of Taxes, one year				
Grace J. Cullinane	48	64	25	137
Ethel A. Davis	28	55	201	284
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1950				
Joseph P. DeProspo		55	9	64
Donald O. Nylander	58	67	110	235
Frederic W. Rimbach	126	34	14	174
Frank B. Roche	28	71	17	116
Blanks	4	2		6
School Committee, three years				
Eleanore H. Hollis	204	251	263	718
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1950				
Ernest Simpson	230	229	293	752
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1950				
Blanks	150	216	196	562
Constables, one year				
Edward J. Collins	170	203	190	563
Michael Foley	218	274	296	788
T. Frederick S. Kennedy	192	226	288	706
sworn by town clerk March 13, 1950				
Ivar Peterson	237	221	244	702
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1950				
Robert George Willett	188	236	262	686
Scattered			1	1
Blanks	163	232	223	618

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Cemetery Commissioner, three years				
Harry E. Holt	250	296	337	883
blanks	42	52	39	133
Board of Health, three years				
Martin J. Duggan	80	128	195	403
Herbert L. Leusher	199	191	163	553
sworn by town clerk March 13,1950				
Blanks	13	29	18	60
Board of Health, one year				
Benjamin F. Rice	261	302	337	900
sworn by town clerk March 8,1950				
Scattered			1	1
Blanks	31	46	38	115
Trustee of Memorial Library,three years				
Wendell F. Davis	271	295	337	903
sworn by town clerk March 11,1950				
Blanks	21	53	39	113
Tree Warden, one year				
James J. Knight	261	304	339	904
sworn by town clerk March 8,1950				
Blanks	31	44	37	112

Abstract of the Proceedings of the
Annual Town Meeting, March 13, 1950

- Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and
Officers fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers
of the town.

Chose: Clara L. Sawyer trustee of the Elizabeth White
Fund for three years.

Chose: Frederick T. Kennedy trustee of the Acton
Firemen's Relief Fund for three years.

Chose: Arno H. Perkins trustee of the West Acton
Firemen's Relief Fund for three years.

Chose: Charles E. Smith trustee of the Goodnow Fund
for three years.

Voted: That the salary of the Tax Collector be twelve
hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Selectmen be four hundred dollars per annum and the other
members three hundred dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salaries of the Assessors be two thousand
dollars in the aggregate per annum to be apportioned as
they may determine.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Health be twenty-five dollars per annum; the clerk
fifteen dollars and the other member ten dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Public Welfare be one hundred and twenty-five dollars
per annum and that of the other members seventy-five
dollars each per annum and that the Board of Public Welfare
be authorized to appoint one of its members as agent, at
a salary of \$600.00 in accordance with the provisions of
Section 4A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Clerk be four hundred
dollars per annum, said salary to be retroactive to
January 1, 1950.

Voted: That the salary of the Tree Warden be fixed at
\$1.25 per hour plus 75 cents per hour for use of a truck.

Voted: That the salary of the Moderator be fifteen dollars
for one evening and twenty-five dollars for two evenings
for the annual town meeting and ten dollars for each
special meeting.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Treasurer be nine
hundred dollars per annum, said salary to be retroactive to
January 1, 1950.

- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports
Reports of the town officers and boards or act anything thereon.

Voted: To accept the several reports of the town officers.

- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen
Reports at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Voted: To pass over the article.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00, or any other sum, for the observance of Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (500) dollars for the observance of Memorial Day, this sum to be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Finance Committee to include in each annual budget, ~~the~~ sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day and that this sum be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To authorize the Finance Committee to include in each annual budget, a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day and that this sum be expended under the direction of a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1950 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws, or act anything thereon.

Voted Unanimously: To authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1950 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in any fiscal year in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st of that current year, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws or act anything thereon.

Voted: To authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in any fiscal year in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st of that current year, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,500.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To transfer the sum of Twenty-five Hundred (2500) dollars from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for the use of the Treasurer to pay the Dog Officer expense of the local Dog Officer. The amount spent for board and disposal of dogs will be reimbursed by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Fifty (450) dollars for the use of the Treasurer, to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Finance Committee to include in each annual budget a sum for the Dog Officer use of the Treasurer to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To authorize the Finance Committee to include in each annual budget a sum for the use of the Treasurer to pay the expenses of the local Dog Officer.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 or any other sum, so that the Board of Garbage Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand (2000) dollars, so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage for a period of one year.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Finance Committee to include in each annual budget a sum of Garbage money so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage or act anything thereon.

Voted: To authorize the Finance Committee to include in each annual budget a sum of money so that the Board of Health may contract for the collection and disposal of garbage.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty (250) dollars for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$4,750.00 for the Town Hall rewiring, repairing and redecorating of the interior of the Town Hall, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Forty Seven Hundred and Fifty (4750) dollars for the rewiring, repairing, and redecorating the interior of the Town Hall.

Article 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and Expenses appropriate to defray the necessary expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

Voted: That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated for the several purposes hereinafter designated and that the same be expended only for the purposes under the direction of the respective boards, committees, or officers of the town as follows:

General Government		
1	Moderator	\$ 25.
2	Finance Committee	100.
3	Selectmen Salaries & Wages	2,550.
4	Expenses	150.
5	Town Accountant Salary & Wages	900.
6	Expenses	50.
7	Treasurer, Salary & Wages	900.
8	Expenses	250.
9	Collector, Salary & Wages	1,800.
10	Expenses	300.
11	Assessors Salaries & Wages	2,350.
12	Expenses	450.
13	Town Clerk, Salary & Fees	550.
14	Expenses	200.
15	Elections & Registrations, Salaries and Wages	1,138.
16	Expenses	<u>700.</u>
17	Total General Government	\$12,413.
Buildings and Grounds		
18	Buildings & Grounds, Sal. & Wages	3,125.
19	Expenses	<u>2,855.</u>
20	Total Buildings & Grounds	\$ 5,980.
Protection of Persons and Property		
21	Police, Salaries & Wages	6,438.
22	Expenses, including cruiser & uniforms	<u>1,775.</u>
23	Fire Dept., Salaries & Wages	2,800.
24	Expenses	2,100.
25	Fire Alarm System Labor	350.
26	Expenses	150.
27	Fire Hydrant Rental	4,276.
28	Forest Fire	1,500.
29	Sealer of Weights & Measures Salaries and Wages	225.
30	Expenses	50.
31	Moth Dept., Salary & Wages	1,500.
32	Expenses	1,200.
33	Tree Warden, Salary & Wages	1,750.
34	Expenses	<u>750.</u>
35	Total Protection	\$24,864.
Health and Sanitation		
36	Board of Health, Salary & Wages	5,525.
37	Expenses	2,100.
38	Inspection of Animals	<u>150.</u>
39	Total Health & Sanitation	\$ 7,775.
Highways		
40	Village Highways	3,000.
41	Chapter 81 Highways	8,550.
42	Chapter 90 Highways	3,000.
43	Snow Removal	10,000.
44	Street Lighting	<u>5,500.</u>
45	Total Highways	\$30,050.
Charities		
46	Welfare Department	1,300.
47	Expense	
48	Expenditure	4,500.
49	Old Age Expenditure	35,000.
50	A.D.C. Expenditure	<u>6,500.</u>
51	Total Charities	\$47,300.

Veterans		
52	Veterans' Benefits Salary & Wages	\$ 150.
53	Expenses	100.
54	Expenditure	3,000.
55	Veterans' Service Salary & Wages	1,050.
56	Expenses	50.
57	Total Veterans' Aid	\$ 4,350.
Education		
58	Schools, Salaries & Wages	81,920.
59-67	Expenses	21,150.
68	Total Education	\$103,070.
Libraries		
69	Libraries, Salaries & Wages	1,125.
70	Expenses	1,225.
71	Books	300.
72	Total Libraries	\$ 2,650.
Recreation		
73	Playgrounds	3,000.
74	Total Recreation	\$ 3,000.
Unclassified		
75.	Miscellaneous Expenses	1,500.
76	Town Reports	1,000.
77	Workmen's Compensation	1,200.
78	Surety Bonds	400.
79	Pension Fund	1,757.
80	Expense Fund	112.
81	Total Unclassified	\$ 5,969.
Cemeteries		
82	Cemeteries, Salary & Wages	4,600.
83	Expenses	1,725.
84	Total Cemeteries	\$ 6,325.
Maturing Debt and Interest		
85	Maturing Debt	1,000.
86	Interest	120.
87	Total Debt & Interest	\$ 1,120.
Total Regular Expenses		\$254,866.
Transfers under Article 15.		
Item 19. Expenses Buildings & Grounds		1,000.
Repairs Town Hall.		
Item 43. Snow Removal		1,500.
Item 54. Expenditure Veterans		2,000.
Total transfers from S. R. Acct.		
under Article 15.		\$4,500.
Total under Article 15.		\$259,366.
Total to be raised and appropriated under Article 15.		\$254,866.
Special Articles		
Art. 4	Memorial Day	\$ 500.
Art. 9	Dog Officer	450.
Art. 11	Collection of Garbage	2,000.
Art. 13	Tree Dept. New trees	250.
Art. 17	Construction of Main St.	3,750.
Art. 18	Snow Fence	200.
Art. 23	Feeding Shade Trees	500.
Art. 25	Repairs Town Sprayer	250.
Art. 27	New Fire House	15,000.
Art. 28	Poison Ivy	1,000.
Art. 29	Mt. Hope Cemetery	800.
Art. 33	Inspector of Wires	400.
Art. 38	School Building Committee	750.
Art. 42	Center School heating unit	2,000.

Art. 43	Traffic Zoning	\$ 200.
Art. 45	Pine Street	1,000.
Art. 46	Insurance	700.
Art. 49	Town Hall Repairs	<u>3,000</u>
Total To be raised & appropriated under Special Articles		\$ 32,750.
Total Voted to be raised & appropriated		<u>\$287,616.</u>
Transfers:		
Art. 8	Machinery Account	2,500.
Art. 14	Repairs Town Hall	4,750.
Art. 15	Several Items	4,500.
Art. 16	Snow Plow	800.
Art. 19	Chapters 81 & 90	27,700.
Art. 21	Fire Department	1,500.
Art. 22	Police Dept. (New Cruiser)	600.
Art. 27	Fire House	15,000.
Art. 31	Fire Alarm System	2,600.
Art. 36	Regional School	100.
Art. 39	Painting School Buildings	3,500.
Art. 40	Ceilings School Buildings	1,000.
Art. 41	Painting interior High School	2,000.
Art. 47	Cemetery Department	400.
Art. 51	Reserve Fund	5,000.
Art. 52	Folding Chairs Town Hall	300.
Art. 58	School Building Committee	<u>1,250.</u>
Total Transfers		\$ 73,500.
Borrow:		
Art. 27	New Fire House	15,000. <u>15,000.</u>
Grand Total		\$376,116.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$800.00 for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows or act anything thereon.

Snow
Plow

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Eight Hundred (800) dollars for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for new construction of Main Street from Construction the Carlisle Line to the State Road in North Acton; said Main St. money to be used in conjunction with \$4000.00 to be allotted by the County and \$8000.00 to be allotted by the State; or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Seven Hundred Fifty (3750) dollars for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle Line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with Thirty Seven Hundred Fifty (3750) dollars to be allotted by the County and Seventy Five Hundred (7500) dollars to be allotted by the State.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of snow fence, or act anything thereon.

Snow Fence

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (200) dollars for the purchase of snow fence.

- Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the amount of the States and County's allotments for highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.

Highways

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Twenty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred (27,700) dollars, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for Highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account.

- Article 20. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to annually instruct the Town Accountant to transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account, the amount of the State's and County's allotments for highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement from the State and County be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.

Highways

Voted: To pass over the article.

- Article 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$1,500.00 for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.

Fire Dept.

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of Fifteen Hundred (1500) dollars for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department.

- Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$600.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a new cruiser for the Police Department and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell the old cruiser, or act anything thereon.

Police
Cruiser

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of Six Hundred (600) dollars for the purchase of a new cruiser for the Police Department and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell the old cruiser.

- Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the feeding of our shade trees, or act anything thereon.

Feeding
Trees

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (500) dollars for the feeding of our shade trees.

- Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for control work of the Dutch Elm Disease in accordance with Chapter 761 of the Acts of 1949, or act anything thereon.

Dutch Elm
Disease

Voted: To pass over the article.

- Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for repairs to the town sprayer, or act anything thereon.

Sprayer
Repairs

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty (250) dollars for repairs to the town sprayer.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 129, Section 15 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 162 of the Acts of 1941 relative to the nomination of one or more Inspectors of Animals, which reads as follows: "In a town which has a board of health and accepts this paragraph, the nomination of such inspectors shall be made by the board of health and not by the selectmen."; or act anything thereon.

Animal
Inspector

Voted: To pass over the article.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 or any other sum, for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center on the present fire house location, according to plans submitted by the Fire House Committee, and determine how the same shall be raised, or act anything thereon.

Fire House

Unanimously
Voted Unamously: That the sum of \$45,000.00 be appropriated for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center, and that the town authorize the Fire House Committee to enter into contracts for the planning and construction of a new fire house and disposal of the present fire house; such plans, construction, equipment, disposal, contracts, and expenditure, for or in connection therewith, to be at the discretion and direction of the Fire House Committee; and to meet said appropriation the sum of \$15,000.00 shall be appropriated from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$15,000.00 shall be raised in the 1950 tax levy, and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, shall borrow \$15,000.00 by issuing a note or notes payable in one year.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 or any other amount, for the Tree Department for eradication of poison ivy on the highways, streets, and school grounds, or act anything thereon.

Poison Ivy

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (1000) dollars for the eradication of poison ivy on the highways, streets and school grounds and to be spent under the supervision of the board of Selectmen.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 or any other sum, for the purpose of oiling roads and avenues in Mt. Hope Cemetery, or act anything thereon.

Mt. Hope
Cemetery

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred (800) Dollars for the purpose of oiling roads and avenues in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature for permission for the Town to acquire the West and South Water Supply District of Acton, or act anything thereon.

Water
District

Motion: I move that the town vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to study the advisability of the Town acquiring the West and South Water Supply District and to make recommendations at the next annual or special town meeting.
did not prevail.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,600.00 or any other sum for the extension of the Fire Alarm System from Edwards Square along Central Street to Nashoba Road, up Nashoba Road to property known as Jenks Farm, then returning back to Elm Street, to Arlington Street and along Arlington Street to Edwards Square with five or more fire alarm boxes, or act anything thereon.

Fire Alarm
System

Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred (2600) dollars, for the extension of the Fire Alarm System from Edwards Square along Central Street to Nashoba Road, up Nashoba Road to the property known as Jenks Farm, then returning back to Elm Street, Along Elm Street to Arlington Street and along Arlington Street to Edwards Square, with five or more alarm boxes.

- Article 32. To see if the town will vote to accept a gift of not more than Three Thousand (3000) Dollars from Ernest E. Wetherbee of Albany, Georgia, toward constructing a Memorial Entrance to Woodlawn Cemetery, near its easterly end on Concord Road at Grove Avenue in accordance with a plan filed with the Cemetery Commissioners with their approval and under their supervision; and to authorize said Cemetery Commissioners to make contracts for such construction and to do anything necessary, proper, or expedient for carrying out the above purposes, or ant anything thereon.
- Woodlawn Cemetery Entrance

Voted: To accept a gift of not more than Three Thousand (3000) dollars from Ernest E. Wetherbee of Albany, Georgia toward constructing a Memorial Entrance to Woodlawn Cemetery, near its easterly end on Concord Road at Grove Avenue in accordance with a plan filed with the Cemetery Commissioners, with their approval and under their supervision; and to authorize said Cemetery Commissioners to make contracts for such construction and to do anything necessary, proper, or expedient for carrying out the above purposes.

- Article 33. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint an inspector of wires as required by the provisions of Chapter 529 of the Acts of 1949 and raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the same, or act anything thereon.
- Wire Inspector

Voted: To authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint an inspector of wires as required by the provisions of Chapter 529 of the Acts of 1949 and raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred (400) dollars.

- Article 34. To see if the town will accept the bequest to the Town of Acton under the provisions of the will of Betsey Morse Ball, late of Marlborough, Massachusetts; and authorize the Selectmen to act in accordance therewith, or act anything thereon.
- Betsy M. Ball

Voted: That the town accept the bequest to the Town of Acton under the provisions of the will of Betsey Morse Ball, late of Marlborough, Massachusetts, and authorize the Selectmen to act in accordance therewith.

- Article 35. To see if the town will vote to authorize the dissolution of the School Survey Committee and to return the balance remaining in the School ^{Survey} Committee Account to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.
- School Survey Committee

Voted: To authorize the dissolution of the School Survey Committee and to return the balance remaining in the School Survey Committee Account to the Surplus Revenue Account.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to create a special unpaid board to be known as a regional school district planning board, as provided for in Sections 14 and 14A of Chapter 71, General Laws, to consist of three members, including one member of the School Committee, to be appointed by the Town Moderator, to report at the next special or regular meeting, and to raise and appropriate \$100.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for expenses, or act anything thereon.

Regional
School
Committee

Voted: To create a special unpaid board to be known as a regional school district planning board, as provided for in Sections 14 and 14A of Chapter 71, General Laws and under Chapter 638 of the Acts of 1949, to consist of three members, including one member of the School Committee, to be appointed by the Town Moderator, to report at a special town meeting to be called by the Board of Selectmen not later than December 1950, for discussion of this article. Also to transfer \$100.00 dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account for use of said committee. Committee appointed by Moderator: Charles V. Sturdivant; Orwald E. Kienow; and Alden C. Flagg, Jr.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to create a special school building committee of five members to be appointed by the Moderator, to investigate the design, construction, site, costs of additional school facilities, and methods of financing, and report to the next special or regular town meeting, or act anything thereon.

School Bldg.
Committee

Voted: To create a special school building committee of five members to be appointed by the Moderator, to investigate the design, construction, site, costs of additional school facilities and methods of financing, to report at a special town meeting to be called by the Board of Selectmen not later than December 1950, for discussion of this article. Committee appointed by the Moderator:

Carl A. Christofferson	Thomas Motley 2d.
Marion C. Reed	Burton J. Jones Jr.
Porter G. Jenks	

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for expenses for the school building committee, mentioned in the previous article, or take any other action thereto.

School Bldg.
Committee

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred-Fifty (750) dollars and transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account Twelve Hundred-Fifty (1250) dollars for expenses of the school building committee, mentioned in the previous article.

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 for painting the exteriors of the South, Center, West and High School buildings, or act anything thereon.

Schools

Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Three Thousand five hundred (3500) dollars for painting the exteriors of the School Buildings.

Article 40. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to refinish the ceilings in the South, Center, West and High Schools, or act anything thereon.

Schools

Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of One Thousand (1000) Dollars to refinish the ceilings in the South, Center, West and High Schools.

Article 41. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to refinish and repaint the interior of the High School or act anything thereon.

Schools

Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Two Thousand (2000) Dollars to refinish and repaint the interior of the High School.

Article 42. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the installation of a new heating unit at the Center School, or act anything thereon.

Schools

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand (2000) Dollars for the installation of a new heating unit at the Center School.

Article 43. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take necessary steps for Traffic Zoning in the Town of Acton and raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the expenses of the same, or act anything thereon.

Traffic
Zoning

Voted: To authorize the Board of Selectmen to take necessary steps for Traffic Zoning in the Town of Acton and to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (200) Dollars for the expenses of the same.

Article 44. To see if the town will vote to accept as a town way, the laying out by the Board of Selectmen of a road in South Acton extending in a southeasterly direction from Main Street a distance of approximately 473 feet by land of Flanagan and Waluk, a plan of which is filed in the office of the Town Clerk, said way to be name/Lenore Street and raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the same or act anything thereon.

Lenore
Street

Motion: I move that the town vote to accept as a town way the laying out by the Board of Selectmen of a road in South Acton extending in a south-easterly direction from Main Street a distance of approximately four hundred seventy-three feet by land of Flanagan and Waluk, a plan of which is filed in the office of the town clerk, provided that the abuters give written easements of land necessary for a forty foot lay-out, said way to be named Lenore Street and raise and appropriate a sum of Two Thousand dollars for repairs to the same.
Motion did not prevail.

Article 45. To see if the town will vote to accept as a town way the laying out by the Board of Selectmen of a road in South Acton extending in a westerly direction from Main Street, a distance of approximately 250 feet by land of Farrell, Byers and others, a plan of which is filed in the office of the Town Clerk, said way to be named Pine Street; and raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the same, or act anything thereon.

Pine
Street

Voted: To accept as a town way, the laying out by the Board of Selectmen of a road in South Acton extending in a westerly direction from Main Street, a distance of approximately 250 feet by land of Farrell, Byers and others a plan of which is filed in the office of the Town Clerk, said way to be named Pine Street, and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (1000) dollars for repairs to the same.

Article 46.

Insurance

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 to pay the cost of effecting insurance providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damages to property caused by operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection ~~X~~, as amended, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred (700) Dollars to pay the cost of effecting insurance providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property, caused by operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection-1, as amended.

Article 47.

Cemetery
Dept.

To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$400.00 for the purchase of a lowering device for the Cemetery Department, and authorize the Board of Cemetery Commissioners to trade-in or sell any old lowering device, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of Four Hundred (400) Dollars for the purchase of a lowering device, for the Cemetery Department, and authorize the Board of Cemetery Commissioners to trade-in or sell any old lowering device.

Article 48.

By-Laws

To see if the town will vote to accept as a town by-law, the provisions of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, Section 21, Paragraph 17, to prohibit unlicensed stripping of farm land, as printed in the town report under Proposed Earth Removal By-Law, or act anything thereon.

Voted Unanimously: To accept as a town by-law the provisions of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, Section 21, Paragraph 17, to prohibit unlicensed stripping of farm land, as printed in the town report under Proposed Earth Removal By-Law.

Article 49.

Town Hall

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the roof timbers and outside foundation wall of the Town Hall, as ordered by an inspector of the department of Public Safety, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand (3000) Dollars for repairs to the roof timbers and outside foundation wall of the Town Hall as ordered by an inspector of the department of Public Safety.

Article 50.

Post-War
Committee

To see if the town will vote to authorize the dissolution of the Post-War Public Works Committee and to return to the Surplus Revenue Account the balance of their appropriations or act anything thereon.

Voted: The town to authorize the dissolution of the Post-War Public Works Committee and to return to the Surplus Revenue Account the balance of their appropriations.

Article 51.

Reserve
Fund

To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 from the Surplus Revenue Account as a Reserve Fund, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of Five Thousand (5000) Dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account as a Reserve Fund.

Article 52.

Town Hall

To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purpose of purchasing additional folding chairs for the Town Hall, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (300) Dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purpose of purchasing additional folding chairs for the Town Hall.

Article 53.

Revise
By-Laws

To see if the town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to revise and bring the Town By-Laws up to date or act anything thereon.

Voted: To instruct the moderator to appoint a committee of three to revise and bring the Town By-Laws up to date. Committee appointed by Moderator: George S. Braman, H. Stuart MacGregor, George A. Morse.

Number of voters checked - 337

Voted: To adjourn at 11:00 P.M.

A true copy

Attest: Harlan E. Tuttle.

Warrant for State Primary September 19, 1950

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in Precinct 1 - Town Hall, Acton; Precinct 2 - Congregational Church, South Acton; Precinct 3 - Woman's Club House, West Acton, the nineteenth day of September, 1950, Tuesday, at twelve o'clock noon for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

Governor	for this Commonwealth.
Lieutenant Governor	" " "
Secretary of the Commonwealth	" " "
Treasurer and Receiver-General	" " "
Auditor of the Commonwealth	" " "
Attorney General	" " "
Representative in Congress	Fifth Congressional District
Councillor	Third Councillor "
Senator	for Fifth Middlesex Senatorial "
One Representative in General Court	for Eleventh Middlesex Rep. "
District Attorney	for Northern District
County Commissioner	for Middlesex County
Sheriff	for Middlesex County

The polls will be open from 12 noon to 8 P.M.
Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.
Given under our hands this first day of September A.D.1950.

Arthur W. Lee	Selectmen of
Lawrence Donnelly	
George S. Braman	Acton

A true copy.

Attest: Constable of Acton

Acton, Mass., September 8, 1950
Middlesex, S.S.

On the above date I carried out the directions of this warrant by posting attested copies at 18 public places within the town.

Michael Foley, Constable of Acton

Record of State Primary, Held September 19, 1950

Vote of the Democratic Party

Whole Number Votes Cast	Pct.1 10	Pct.2 8	Pct.3 9	Total 27
Governor				
Paul A. Dever	10	4	7	21
Blanks		4	2	6
Lieutenant Governor				
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan	6	3	6	15
William M. Bergan			2	2
G. Edward Bradley	2	4		6
John Francis Cahill			1	1
J. Frank Murphy	1			1
Blanks	1	1		2
Secretary				
Edward J. Cronin	6	3	5	14
Anthony L. Bruno				0
Stephen J. Carr				0
Martin Graham				0
Paul V. Shaughnessy	3	4		7
Alfred L. Smith			1	1
Alfred R. Vitale				0
John F. Welch		1	1	2
Blanks	1		2	3
Treasurer				
John E. Hurley	9	8	7	24
Blanks	1		2	3
Auditor				
Thomas J. Buckley	9	8	8	25
Blanks	1		1	2
Attorney General				
Francis E. Kelly	6	5	5	16
Benjamin F. Chesky	1		1	2
Eli Y. Krovitsky		1		1
Isadore H. Y. Muchnick			2	2
Blanks	3	2	1	6
Congressman				
James A. Cullen	7	3	3	13
Clement Gregory McDonough	2	5	5	12
Blanks	1	0	1	2
Councillor				
Daniel T. Carey	1		1	2
John F. Curran	1	1		2
John A. Dolan	1	2	2	5
Donald B. Falvey, Jr.	2	3		5
Peter K. McHugh		1		1
Edward H. Sullivan	2		2	4
Robert Sullivan	1		1	2
Charles A. Whalen	1	1	3	5
Blanks	1			1
Senator				
John Joseph Doherty	2	1	1	4
John P. Meehan	3	2	2	7
James J. Vahey	3	5	4	12
Blanks	2		2	4

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Representative in General Court				
Fletcher S. Hyde	8	8	7	23
Blanks	2		2	4
District Attorney				
Alfred Paul Farese	1	1		2
John F. Finnerty	2	1	3	6
William Henry Gerety			1	1
John F. Kelley	5	3	5	13
Blanks	2	3		5
County Commissioner				
Thomas B. Brennan	5	1	1	7
John L. Cotter	1	2	1	4
Thomas L. Crowley			1	1
Charles Cullinane		1	2	3
Daniel J. Donovan				0
Thomas F. Lally				0
Frederick T. McDermott	1		2	3
Sylvester J. McGrail				0
Dennis F. O'Keefe			1	1
Thomas J. O'Neil	1	2		3
Thomas R. Rawson				0
John F. Sullivan	1			1
Francis Andrew Walsh				0
Blanks	1	2	1	4
Sheriff				
Patrick J. Brennan	1	1		2
William Thomas Desmond	1			1
Howard W. Fitzpatrick	6	6	6	18
Thomas J. Keating			1	1
Clarence E. Lord		1		1
D. Thomas Paoletti				0
Paul A. Sullivan	1		1	2
Blanks	1		1	2

Record of State Primary, Held September 19, 1950

The Vote of the Republican Party

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	TOTAL
Whole Number of Votes Cast	177	153	160	490
Governor				
Clarence A. Barnes	14	15	11	40
Arthur W. Coolidge	89	59	89	237
Louis E. Denfeld	29	30	31	90
Frankland W. L. Miles	5	9	2	16
Daniel Needham	40	34	26	100
Edward M. Rowe		6	1	7
Blanks				0
Lieutenant Governor				
Laurence Curtis	84	86	86	256
Warren G. Harris	15	13	15	43
Daniel E. McLean	13	12	16	41
Harris S. Richardson	44	22	31	97
Robert H. W. Welch, Jr.	12	19	11	42
Blanks	9	1	1	11
Secretary				
John Adams	16	21	23	60
William B. Bailey	20	22	20	62
Henry Clay	5	4	2	11
Douglas Lawson	28	15	22	65
Randall W. Weeks	22	31	14	67
Russell A. Wood	58	47	58	163
Ada F. York	7	3	7	17
Blanks	21	10	14	45
Treasurer				
Fred J. Burrell	77	86	93	256
Roy C. Papalia	93	58	63	214
Blanks	7	9	4	20
Auditor				
William G. Andrew	136	120	129	385
Warren A. Rodd	14	17	15	46
Blanks	27	16	16	59
Attorney General				
Frederick Ayer, Jr.	37	33	45	115
Edward Robert Butterworth	8	14	8	30
George Fingold	115	84	86	285
Edwin W. Hadley	9	14	6	29
Frank F. Walters	2	4	6	12
Blanks	6	9	4	19
Congressman				
Edith Nourse Rogers	168	144	153	465
Blanks	9	9	7	25
Councillor				
Otis M. Whitney	159	142	152	453
Blanks	18	11	8	37
Senator				
Richard I. Furbush	158	145	153	456
Blanks	19	8	7	34
Representative in General Court				
Edward J. DeSaulnier, Jr.	158	140	150	448
Blanks	19	13	10	42

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
District Attorney				
George E. Thompson	156	142	151	449
Blanks	21	11	9	41
County Commissioner				
Melvin G. Rogers	142	125	137	404
Harry Gath, Jr.	10	12	16	38
Thomas P. Lane	1	3	2	6
Blanks	24	13	5	42
Sheriff				
Smith J. Adams	21	11	21	53
Howard W. Fitzpatrick	18	25	24	67
Frederick L. Galbraith	2	4	3	9
Walter E. Lawrence	27	28	20	75
Jesse A. Rogers	3	4	1	8
Francis P. Shea, Jr.	3	2	1	6
A. Warren Stearns	95	69	84	248
Blanks	8	10	6	24

Warrant for State Election
held November 7, 1950

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County,
Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify
and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in
Elections to meet in: Precinct 1 - Town Hall, Acton Center;
Precinct 2 - Congregational Church, South Acton; Precinct 3 -
Woman's Club House, West Acton; Tuesday, the Seventh day of
November, 1950 at eleven o'clock A.M. for the following
purposes:

Then and there to bring into the Precinct Officers of their
respective precincts their votes on one ballot for:

Governor	for this Commonwealth
Lieutenant Governor	" " "
Secretary	" " "
Treasurer	" " "
Auditor	" " "
Attorney General	" " "
Representative in Congress	" Fifth Congressional District
Councillor	" Third Councillor District
Senator	" Fifth Middlesex Senatorial Dist.
Representative in General Court	" Eleventh Middlesex Rep. District
District Attorney	" Northern District
County Commissioner	" Middlesex County
Sheriff	" Middlesex County

And also to vote on the following questions:

Question No. 1

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution
summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a
joint session of the two branches held June 9, 1947, received
244 votes in the affirmative and 0 in the negative and in a
joint session of the two branches held June 8, 1949, received YES
242 votes in the affirmative and 7 in the negative? NO

Summary

This proposed amendment of the Constitution provides for the time
when the respective terms of office of the governor, lieutenant-
governor and councillors shall begin and the time when their respective
terms shall end. It also make provision relative to the succession
to the office of governor in the event of the death of the
governor elect before qualification for the office of governor; and
it further makes provision relative to the succession to the office
of governor in the event of the death of both the governor elect and
the lieutenant-governor elect before qualification for their
respective offices.

Question No. 2

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution
summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a
joint session of the two branches held June 4, 1948, received
154 votes in the affirmative and 44 in the negative, and in
a joint session of the two branches held June 8, 1949, received YES
160 votes in the affirmative and 93 in the negative? NO

Summary

This proposed amendment to the Constitution provides for an increase
in the number of signatures of qualified voters required upon
an initiative or upon a referendum petition, and it further
makes provision for changes in legislative procedures thereon with
reference to dates upon, or within which, acts shall be done in
the various stages necessary to be taken upon such petitions.

Question No. 3

Do you approve of a law summarized below on which the House of Representatives did not vote and on which the Senate did not vote? YES
NO

Summary

This measure provides for minimum payments of seventy-five dollars per month, or eighty-five dollars per month if blind, as assistance to deserving aged persons who have reached the age of sixty-three years or over and are in need of relief and support.

Question No. 4

Do you approve of a law summarized below on which the House of Representatives did not vote and on which the Senate did not vote? YES
NO

Summary

This measure provides for the creation of a Massachusetts commission for the purpose of conducting once every month a lottery drawing to raise additional funds by means of tickets sold to the public, within the Commonwealth, the net proceeds to be divided as follows: 50 per cent to the winners as prizes, 35 per cent for assistance to needy aged persons, $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent for assistance to needy blind persons, $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent for assistance to dependent children.

Question No. 5

Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 77 in the affirmative and 139 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 13 in the affirmative and 25 in the negative? YES
NO

Summary

The proposed measure strikes out the first sentence of section 113B of chapter 175 of the General Laws (Tercentenary Edition) as most recently amended by section 4 of chapter 459 of the acts of 1935, and inserts in place thereof a sentence which provides that the Commissioner of Insurance shall annually, on or before September fifteenth, after due hearing and investigation, fix and establish fair and reasonable classifications of risks and adequate, just, reasonable and nondiscriminatory premium charges to be used and charged by insurance companies in connection with the issue or execution of motor vehicle liability policies or bonds, as defined in section 34A of chapter 90 of the General Laws, for the ensuing calendar year or any part thereof, but said classifications and premium charges shall be uniform throughout the Commonwealth and shall not be fixed or established according to districts or zones.

Question No. 6

- A. Shall the pari-mutuel system of betting on licensed horse races be permitted in this county? YES
NO
- B. Shall the pari-mutuel system of betting on licensed dog races be permitted in this County? YES
NO

Question No. 7

- A. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whisky, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)? YES
NO
- B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer ale and all other malt beverages)? YES
NO
- C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale thereof all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises? YES
NO

Question No. 8

(a) If a voter desires that this city (or town) shall declare by popular referendum that a shortage of rental housing accommodations exists which requires the continuance of federal rent control in this city (or town) after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and fifty, and until the close of June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fifty-one, in accordance with the provisions of the Housing and Rent Act of 1950, he will vote "YES" on said question. (b) If he desires that federal rent control shall cease to be in effect in this city (or town) at the close of December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and fifty, he will vote "NO" on said question. If a majority of the votes cast in any such city or town shall be deemed to have declared by popular referendum, pursuant to the Housing and Rent Act of 1950, that a shortage of rental accommodations exists which requires the continuance of federal rent control in such city or town after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and fifty, and until the close of June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fifty-one, in accordance with the provisions of said act. If a majority of the votes cast in any such city or town in answer to said question is not in the affirmative, such city or town shall be deemed not to have declared by popular referendum, pursuant to the Housing and Rent Act of 1950, that a shortage of rental accommodations exists which requires the continuance of federal rent control in such city or town after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and fifty.

Shall a declaration be made by popular referendum, pursuant to the Housing and Rent Act of 1950, that a shortage of rental housing accommodations exists which requires the continuance of federal rent control in their city (or town) after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and fifty and until the close of June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fifty-one, in accordance with the provisions of said Act? YES NO

The polls will be open from 11 A.M. to 8 P.M.
And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.
Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this twenty-fourth day of October, 1950.

Arthur W. Lee	Selectmen of
Lawrence Donnelly	Acton
George S. Braman	

A. true copy; Attest

Constable of Acton

Acton, Mass. October 30, 1950

Middlesex SS.

I have served the within named warrant by posting an attested copy of the same at 22 of the public places of said town seven days before the time of holding said meeting as within directed.

Michael Foley Constable of Acton

State Election held November 7, 1950

R - Republican
D - Democratic
S.L.P.- Socialist Labor Party
P - Prohibition Party

		Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole number of ballots cast		515	567	524	1606
Governor					
Paul A. Dever	D.	99	161	119	379
Arthur W. Coolidge	R.	414	396	395	1205
Horace I. Hillis	S.L.		1	1	2
Mark R. Shaw	P.		2		2
Blanks		2	7	9	18
Lieutenant Governor					
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan	D.	81	149	111	341
Laurence Curtis	R.	430	409	406	1245
Lawrence Gilfedder	S.L.	1			1
Blanks		3	9	7	19
Secretary					
Edward J. Cronin	D.	82	152	113	347
Russell A. Wood	R.	423	390	392	1205
Ellsworth J. M. Dickson	P.		4	3	7
Fred M. Ingersoll	S.L.		6	1	7
Blanks		10	15	15	40
Treasurer					
John E. Hurley	D.	123	188	133	444
Fred J. Burrell	R.	371	348	371	1090
Henning A. Blomen	S.L.	1	3	1	5
Harold J. Ireland	P.	1	5	4	10
Blanks		19	23	15	57
Auditor					
Thomas J. Buckley	D.	107	167	138	412
William G. Andrew	R.	397	377	369	1143
Robert A. Simmons	P.		2	1	3
Francis A. Votano	S.L.		1		1
Blanks		11	20	16	47
Attorney General					
Francis E. Kelly	D.	72	142	103	317
Frederick Ayer, Jr.	R.	430	400	403	1233
Anthony Martin	S.L.	1	3		4
Howard B. Rand	P.		4	1	5
Blanks		12	18	17	47
Congressman					
Edith Nourse Rogers	R.	476	485	470	1431
Clement G. McDonough	D.	31	69	47	147
Blanks		8	13	7	28
Councillor					
Otis M. Whitney	R.	443	445	428	1316
John A. Dolan	D.	58	106	81	245
Blanks		14	16	15	45
Senator					
Richard I. Furbush	R.	429	432	421	1282
James J. Vahey	D.	68	118	90	276
Blanks		18	17	13	48

		Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Representative in General Court					
Edward J. DeSaulnier, Jr.	R.	375	342	351	1068
Fletcher S. Hyde	D.	119	210	152	481
Blanks		21	15	21	57
District Attorney					
George E. Thompson	R.	403	407	414	1224
John F. Kelley	D.	97	137	95	329
Blanks		15	23	15	53
County Commissioner					
Melvin G. Rogers	R.	424	390	409	1223
Thomas B. Brennan	D.	69	145	93	307
Blanks		22	32	22	76
Sheriff					
Howard W. Fitzpatrick	D.	102	165	125	392
A. Warren Stearns	R.	400	376	383	1159
Blanks		13	26	16	55
Question #1					
Yes		367	344	357	1068
No		48	66	65	179
Blanks		100	157	102	359
Question #2					
Yes		325	303	322	950
No		81	101	93	275
Blanks		109	163	109	381
Question #3					
Yes		177	237	188	602
No		275	229	281	785
Blanks		63	101	55	219
Question #4					
Yes		105	156	130	391
No		346	306	343	995
Blanks		64	105	51	220
Question #5					
Yes		9	16	11	36
No		481	516	485	1482
Blanks		25	35	28	88
Question #6					
A.	Yes	175	232	188	595
	No	286	251	275	812
B.	Blanks	54	84	61	199
B.	Yes	141	194	147	482
	No	295	264	288	847
	Blanks	79	109	89	277
Question #7					
A.	Yes	170	202	171	543
	No	278	243	287	808
	Blanks	67	122	66	255
B.	Yes	185	277	177	639
	No	257	190	273	720
	Blanks	73	100	74	247
C.	Yes	327	300	312	939
	No	145	161	166	472
	Blanks	43	106	46	195
Question #8					
Yes		217	228	261	706
No		191	178	168	537
Blanks		107	161	95	363

Warrant for the Special Town Meeting
held November 27, 1950
Town Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS.
Seal

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton,
in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you
are hereby directed to notify the legal voters of said
Town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for
the transaction of town affairs, to meet at the
Town Hall, in said Acton on Monday, November 27, 1950,
at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Article 1. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of twenty-five hundred (2500) dollars for Old Age Assistance from the Surplus Revenue Account or act anything thereon.
- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of eighteen hundred (1800) dollars for unexpected School Department expenses from the Surplus Revenue Account or act anything thereon.
- Article 3. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of eight hundred fifty (850) dollars for Veterans' Benefits from the Surplus Revenue Account or act anything thereon.
- Article 4. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of eight hundred (800) dollars for Brush Fire Payroll from the Surplus Revenue Account or act anything thereon.
- Article 5. To see if the town will vote to amend the vote taken at the 1950 annual town meeting on Article 27, relative to the appropriation of forty-five thousand (45,000) dollars for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center on the present fire house location according to plans submitted by the Fire House Committee and determine how the same shall be raised, to read as follows: That the sum of sixty thousand (60,000) dollars be appropriated for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center, and that the town authorize the Fire House Committee to enter into contracts for the planning and construction of a new fire house and disposal, of the present fire house; such plans, construction, equipment, disposal, contracts, and expenditure, for or in connection therewith, to be at the discretion and direction of the Fire House Committee; and to meet said appropriation the sum of fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars shall be appropriated from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars shall be raised in the 1950 tax levy, and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, shall borrow thirty thousand (30,000) dollars by issuing a note or notes for a period of two (2) years; fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars of which shall be paid each year.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this fifteenth day of November, 1950.

Arthur W. Lee	Selectmen of
Lawrence Donnelly	Acton
George S. Braman	

A true copy

Attest

Constable of Acton

Acton, Mass., November 18, 1950

Middlesex, SS.

I have served the within named warrant by posting an attested copy of the same at 22 of the public places of said town seven days before the time of holding said meeting as within directed.

Michael Foley, Constable of Acton.

Abstract of the Proceedings of the
Special Town Meeting, November 27, 1950

- Article 1. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of twenty-five hundred (2500) dollars for Old Age Assistance from the Surplus Revenue Account or act anything thereon.

Voted Unanimously: To transfer the sum of twenty-five hundred (2500) dollars for Old Age Assistance from the Surplus Revenue Account.

- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of eighteen hundred (1800) dollars for unexpected School Department expenses from the Surplus Revenue Account or act anything thereon.

Voted Unanimously: To transfer the sum of eighteen hundred (1800) dollars for unexpected School Department expenses from the Surplus Revenue Account.

- Article 3. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of eight hundred fifty (850) dollars for Veterans' Benefits from the Surplus Revenue Account or act anything thereon.

Voted Unanimously: To transfer the sum of eight hundred fifty (850) dollars for Veterans' Benefits from the Surplus Revenue Account.

- Article 4. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of eight hundred (800) dollars for Brush Fire Payroll from the Surplus Revenue Account or act anything thereon.

Voted Unanimously: To transfer the sum of eight hundred (800) dollars for Brush Fire Payroll from the Surplus Revenue Account.

- Article 5. To see if the town will vote to amend the vote taken at the 1950 annual town meeting on Article 27, relative to the appropriation of forty-five thousand (45,000) dollars for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center on the present fire house location according to plans submitted by the Fire House Committee and determine how the same shall be raised, to read as follows: That the sum of sixty thousand (60,000) dollars be appropriated for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center, and that the town authorize the Fire House Committee to enter into contracts for the planning and construction of a new fire house and disposal of the present fire house; such plans, construction, equipment, disposal, contracts, and expenditure, for or in connection therewith, to be at the discretion and direction of the Fire House Committee; and to meet said appropriation the sum of fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars shall be appropriated from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars shall be raised in the 1950 tax levy, and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, shall borrow thirty thousand (30,000) dollars by issuing a note or notes for a period of two (2) years; fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars of which shall be paid each year.

The motion was made to amend the vote taken at the 1950 annual town meeting on Article 27, relative to the appropriation of forty-five thousand (45,000) dollars for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center on the present fire house location according to plans submitted by the Fire House Committee and determine how the same shall be raised, to read as follows: That the sum of sixty thousand (60,000) dollars be appropriated for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center, and that the town authorize the Fire House Committee to enter into contracts for the planning and construction of a new fire house and disposal of the present fire house; such plans, construction, equipment, disposal, contracts, and expenditure, for or in connection therewith, to be at the discretion and direction of the Fire House Committee; and to meet said appropriation the sum of fifteen

Article 5. thousand (15,000) dollars shall be appropriated from the
(cont.) Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of fifteen thousand
(15,000) dollars shall be raised in the 1950 tax levy,
and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of
Selectmen, shall borrow thirty thousand (30,000) dollars
by issuing a note or notes ~~XXXXX~~ for a period of two (2)
years; fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars of which shall
be paid each year.

Moderator appointed five tellers: Dewey E. Boatman
Ormal Laffin
Thomas E. Wetherbee
James E. Kinsley
Edwin H. Christofferson

Motion for ballot vote prevailed.

Total votes cast ----- 198
Yes - 72
No - 126

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

A true copy

Attest: Harlan E. Tuttle

Warrant for ~~Special~~ Town Meeting
held December 18, 1950
Town Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS.
Seal

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County,
Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby
directed to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton,
qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town
affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Acton on Monday,
December 18, 1950 at 8:00 o'clock P.M.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Article 1. To hear the report of the Regional School
District Planning Board as voted under
Article 36 at the annual town meeting,
March 13, 1950.
- Article 2. To hear the report of the Special School
Building Committee as voted under Article 37
at the annual town meeting, March 13, 1950.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested
copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said
meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your
doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of
meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this twenty-eighth day of
November, 1950.

Arthur W. Lee	Selectmen of
Lawrence Donnelly	Acton
George S. Braman	

A true copy. Attest Constable of Acton

Acton, Mass., December 6, 1950

Middlesex, SS.

I have served the within named warrant by posting an
attested copy of the same at 24 of the public places of said
town seven days before the time of holding said meeting as
within directed.

Michael Foley, Constable of Acton

*No written reports turned in on above meeting.
Reports were given orally from notes.*

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting,
held March 12, 1951
Town Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS.
Seal

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in
said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you
are hereby directed to notify the legal voters of said
Town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for
the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their
respective precincts to wit:

Precinct 1 - Town Hall, Acton Center
Precinct 2 - Congregational Church, South Acton
Precinct 3 - Woman's Club House, West Acton

at 12 o'clock noon, Monday, the fifth day of March, 1951,
by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at
each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven
days at least before the fifth day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following
town officers: Moderator, town clerk, town treasurer,
collector of taxes, one selectman for three years, one
assessor for three years; one member of the board of
public welfare for three years; one member of the board
of public welfare for one year (to fill vacancy); four
constables for one year; one cemetery commissioner for
three years; two members of the school committee for
three years; one member of the school committee for one
year (to fill vacancy); one member of the board of health
for three years; one trustee Memorial Library for three
years; and a tree warden.

And also to vote on the following question:

Shall Acton accept the provisions of sections sixteen
to sixteen I, inclusive, of chapter seventy-one of the
General Laws, providing for the establishment of a re-
gional school district together with the towns of Bolton,
and/or Boxboro, and/or Harvard, and/or Lancaster, and/or
Stow, and the construction, maintenance and operation of
a regional school by the said district in accordance with
the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the
selectman?

YES
NO

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at
8 o'clock P.M.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth
to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton as
aforesaid, to meet at the Town Hall in said Acton, on
Monday, March 12, 1951, at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and
fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers
of the town.
- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports
of the town officers and boards or act anything thereon.
- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen
at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

- Article 4. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,500.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or act anything thereon.
- Article 5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees, or act anything thereon.
- Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide for the maintenance of the public library and reading room, established by the Citizens Library Association of West Acton, October 2, 1884, or act Anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on petition bearing forty-two (42) signatures.)
- Article 7. To see if the town will approve the proposed action of the Trustees of the Acton Memorial Library to open the Acton Memorial Library to the public three afternoons and evenings per week, or act anything thereon.
- Article 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$850.00 for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows, or act anything thereon.
- Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of snow fence, or act anything thereon.
- Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,750.00 for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with \$3,750.00 to be allotted by the County and \$7,500.00 to be allotted by the State, or act anything thereon.
- Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00; said sum to be used in conjunction with \$2,000.00 to be allotted by the County for repairs to highway culverts, or act anything thereon.
- Article 12. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the amount of the State's and County's allotments for highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.
- Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the payment of vocational tuition and transportation according to the provisions of Chapter 74 of the General Laws, or take any action thereon.
- Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the conduct of physical education and athletics by the School Department, according to the provisions of Chapter 658 of the Acts of 1950, or act anything thereon.
- Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to continue the special School Lunch account, according to the provisions of Chapter 417 of the Acts of 1950, or act anything thereon.
- Article 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the necessary expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

- Article 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to redecorate the interior of the Acton Memorial Library, or act anything thereon.
- Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$1,200.00 for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$400.00, or any other sum, for the purchase of a new cruiser for the Police Department and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade in or sell the old cruiser, or any thing thereon.
- Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the feeding of our shade trees, or act anything thereon.
- Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,950.00 for the salary of another patrolman for the Police Department, or act anything thereon.
- Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 or any other sum, for the Tree Department for eradication of poison ivy on the highways, streets, and school grounds, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on petition bearing thirty-two (32) signatures.)
- Article 23. To see if the town will vote to authorize a board or committee to draw up a set of simple Zoning By-Laws for the Town of Acton; to determine the number to be on said board or committee, and to determine how the said board or committee shall be formed, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on petition bearing 59 signatures.)
- Article 24. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$1,800.00 for the purchase and installation of new compressor and air tanks for the Acton Center fire house, or act anything thereon.
- Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the cutting of brush, fire lanes and other work in the Town Forests, or act anything thereon.
- Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the control work of Dutch Elm Disease in accordance with Chapter 761 of the Acts of 1949, or act anything thereon.
- Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 or any other sum for the purpose of oiling roads and avenues in Mt. Hope Cemetery, or act anything thereon.
- Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 or any other sum, for the extension of the Fire Alarm System from Acton Center along Concord Road and Great Road to the Acton-Concord line, then back along Great Road (Route 2) to Davis Road, then to Brook Street, along Brook Street to Main Street and along Main Street to Acton Center with four or more fire alarm boxes, or act anything thereon.
- Article 29. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of a power mower for the playgrounds, or act anything thereon.

- Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 for folding chairs for the lower hall of the Town Hall, or act anything thereon.
- Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for completing the refinishing and repainting of the High School interior, or act anything thereon.
- Article 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 (additional funds) for the installation of a new state approved school type heating unit at the Center School, or act anything thereon.
- Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$120.00 to renew the \$10,000.00 fire insurance policy on the Acton High School for three years, or act anything thereon.
- Article 34. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to investigate and recommend the advisability of insuring all or any part of the town buildings or equipment and report at the next annual or a special town meeting, or act anything thereon.
- Article 35. To see if the town will vote to raise*appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for repairs to the fire escape on the Town Hall, or act anything thereon.
- Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to cover the water tax assessment on all town owned buildings and land, or act anything thereon.
- Article 37. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$900.00 for the purchase of a new portable forest fire pump, or act anything thereon.
- Article 38. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,100.00 for the painting of the exterior of the Town Hall, or act anything thereon.
- Article 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to pay the cost of effecting insurance providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property, caused by operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter.Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection 1, as amended, or act anything thereon.
- Article 40. To see if the town will vote to rescind the action/^{taken}under Article 27 at the annual town meeting held March 13, 1950, or act anything thereon, said article having read as follows: To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 or any other sum, for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center on the present fire house location, according to plans submitted by the fire house committee, and determine how the same shall be raised, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on petition bearing twelve (12) signatures.)
- Article 41. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Cemetery Commissioners to purchase for burial purposes, two parcels of land, approximately 42 acres, adjoining and near Wood-lawn Cemetery in the easterly part of Acton, Mass., as described in the "Description of Parcels" in the report of

the Cemetery Commissioners in the Town Report for the year 1950; and to raise by taxation or appropriate from Surplus Revenue, \$8,200.00 or any other sum, or act anything thereon.

- Article 42. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 from the Cemetery Land Fund to be divided as follows: \$1,000.00 for Woodlawn Cemetery, and \$500.00 for Mt. Hope Cemetery, for the purpose of clearing, grading and laying out new sections for cemetery lots, and to authorize said Cemetery Commissioners to do anything necessary, proper, or expedient for carrying out the above purposes, or act anything thereon.
- Article 43. To see if the town will vote to accept as a town way, the laying out by the Board of Selectmen of a road in West Acton extending in an easterly and northerly direction from Central Street, a distance of approximately 900 feet by land of Sked, French, Smith, Hitchcock and others, a plan of which is filed in the office of the Town Clerk, said way to be named Orchard Drive, or act anything thereon.
- Article 44. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purchase and erection of traffic zone speed signs for Main Street from the Maynard line to Route 2; and from the Concord-Acton line to the Acton-Maynard line on Route 62, or act anything thereon.
- Article 45. To see if the town will vote to amend Section two (2) of the Town By-laws by adding the following articles, or act anything thereon.
- Article 11. Every way that shall be laid out for the acceptance of the town as a town way, shall be laid out forty feet or more in width, with twenty-four feet or more of approved road building materials that shall meet the requirements of the Planning Board.
- Article 12. If an existing private way shall be laid out for the acceptance of the town as a town way, such way shall not be accepted unless and until the Planning Board shall have certified in writing that such way meets the requirements of Article 11.
- Article 46. To see if the town will vote for the Moderator to appoint a committee of five to investigate and study the provisions of Chapter 662 of the Acts of 1949, the act relative to the organization of union health departments, and determine the desirability of (Town) Acton, Mass. joining with one or more of the following towns: Concord, Carlisle, Maynard, Littleton, Westford, Stow, Bedford, Sudbury, Lexington or others, to form a union health department. This committee to report its findings to the next town meeting.
- Article 47. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 or any other sum for the Civil Defense Agency of the Town of Acton, or act anything thereon.
- Article 48. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Special School Building Committee for employing a competent person or persons to make a survey to determine probable enrollment in grades 9 to 12 in 1959 to 1964, or act anything thereon.
- Article 49. To see if the town will vote under authority of Chapter 41, Section 81A of the General Laws, to establish a planning board to consist of not less than five members and not more than nine; the terms of office to be so arranged that the

term of at least one member will expire each year, and their successors shall be elected for terms of five years each, or act anything thereon.

Article 50. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as a Planning Board under Chapter 41, General Laws, Section 81A; until such time as an official Planning Board is elected at a subsequent annual/meeting; or act anything thereon. town

Article 51. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 as a Reserve Fund, or act anything thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this twenty-third day of January, 1951.

Arthur W. Lee
Lawrence Donnelly
George S. Braman

Selectmen
of
Acton

A true copy, attest

Constable of Acton

Record of Town Election held March 5, 1951

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Whole number of ballots cast	375	424	437	1236
Moderator, one year				
Albert P. Durkee	354	356	395	1105
sworn by town clerk March 8, 1951				
Scattered			1	1
Blanks	21	68	41	130
Town Clerk, one year				
Harlan E. Tuttle	356	377	409	1142
sworn by moderator March 8, 1951				
Scattered	1			1
Blanks	18	47	28	93
Selectman, three years				
James Edward Kinsley	154	177	218	549
Arthur W. Lee	215	232	207	654
sworn by town clerk March 5, 1951				
Blanks	6	15	12	33
Assessor, three years				
James W. Baker	343	364	407	1114
sworn by town clerk March 12, 1951				
Blanks	32	60	30	122
Board of Public Welfare, three years				
Lossie E. Laird	334	343	367	1044
sworn by town clerk March 12, 1951				
Scattered			2	2
Blanks	41	81	68	190
Board of Public Welfare, one year				
A. Perry Marble	326	335	382	1043
sworn by town clerk March 12, 1951				
Blanks	49	89	55	193
Treasurer, one year				
William Henry Soar	345	375	399	1119
sworn by town clerk March 12, 1951				
Blanks	30	49	38	117
Collector of Taxes, one year				
Ethel A. Davis	351	375	414	1140
sworn by town clerk, March 9, 1951				
Blanks	24	49	23	96
School Committee, three years				
H. Calvin Gaebel	169	246	194	609
Dana B. Hinckley	244	170	218	632
sworn by town clerk, March 7, 1951				
Gertrude P. Tuttle	229	276	286	791
sworn by town clerk, March 7, 1951				
Blanks	108	156	176	440
School Committee, one year				
Wilson D. Sked	140	190	219	549
sworn by town clerk March 6, 1951				
Theodore G. Williams	187	160	192	539
Blanks	48	74	26	148

	Pct.1	Pct.2	Pct.3	Total
Constables, one year				
Michael Foley	328	349	389	1066
T. Frederick S. Kennedy	325	328	377	1030
sworn by town clerk March 6, 1951				
Ivar Peterson	342	335	379	1056
sworn by town clerk March 6, 1951				
Robert George Willett	325	333	373	1031
Scattered	2		1	3
Blanks	178	351	229	758
Cemetery Commissioner, three years				
Ray L. Harris	341	360	386	1087
sworn by town clerk March 12, 1951				
Blanks	34	64	51	149
Board of Health, three years				
Martin J. Duggan	143	202	253	598
sworn by town clerk March 8, 1951				
Bradford S. Leach	196	158	155	509
Blanks	36	64	29	129
Trustee of Memorial Library, three years				
Florence A. Merriam	342	362	380	1084
sworn by town clerk March 12, 1951				
Blanks	33	62	57	152
Tree Warden, one year				
Franklin H. Charter	133	149	256	538
sworn by town clerk March 7, 1951				
James J. Knight	195	152	109	456
Michael A. Travers	38	101	52	191
Blanks	9	22	20	51
Question Regional School				
Yes	136	106	131	373
No	219	281	282	782
Blanks	20	37	24	81

Recount
Town Election held March 5, 1951
on
School Committee, one year

We certify that the following is a true record
of votes given for School Committee, term one year to
fill vacancy, in the town of Acton, at the election
held on the 5th day of March 1951, as determined by
a recount held March 16, 1951
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Wilson D. Sked, 4 Orchard Drive	547	Votes
Theodore G. Williams, 7 Church Street	537	Votes
Blanks	152	Votes
Whole number of ballots cast		

James B. Wilson
Julia A. Barry
Grace J. Cullinane
Harlan E. Tuttle

Registrars of Voters
of the town of
Acton

Abstract of the Proceedings of the
Annual Town Meeting, March 12, 1951

- Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and
Officers fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers
of the town.

Chose: Thelma M. Blood trustee of the Elizabeth White
Fund for three years.

Chose: Clarence Frost trustee of the Acton Firemen's
Relief Fund for three years.

Chose: H. Stuart MacGregor trustee of the West Acton
Firemen's Relief Fund for three years.

Chose: Roy H. Linscott trustee of the Goodnow Fund
for three years.

Voted: That the salary of the Tax Collector be Eighteen
Hundred including clerk hire.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Selectmen be four hundred dollars per annum and the
other members three hundred dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salaries of the Assessors be two thousand
dollars in the aggregate per annum to be apportioned as
they may determine.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Health be twenty-five dollars per annum; the clerk
fifteen dollars and the other member ten dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Chairman of the Board of
Public Welfare be one hundred and twenty-five dollars per
annum and that of the other members seventy-five dollars
each per annum and that the Board of Public Welfare be
authorized to appoint one of its members as agent, at a
salary of \$600.00 in accordance with the provisions of
Section 4A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Clerk be four hundred
dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Tree Warden be fixed at
\$1.25 per hour plus 75 cents per hour for use of a truck.

Voted: That the salary of the Moderator be fifteen dollars
for the annual town meeting and ten dollars for each special
meeting.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Treasurer be one
thousand dollars per annum, said salary to be retroactive
to January 1, 1951.

- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports
Reports of the town officers and boards or act anything thereon.

Voted: To accept the several reports of the town officers
as printed.

- Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen
Reports at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Voted: To pass over the Article.

- Article 4. Machinery Fund To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,500.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To transfer the sum of Twenty-five hundred (2500) dollars from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.
- Article 5. Trees To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty (250) dollars for the Tree Department for the replacement of shade trees.
- Article 6. Library To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide for the maintenance of the public library and reading room, established by the citizens Library Association of West Acton, October 2, 1884, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred seventy-five (175) dollars to provide for the maintenance of a public library and reading room of the Citizens Library of West Acton as a branch of the Acton Memorial Library.
- Article 7. Library To see if the town will approve the proposed action of the Trustees of the Acton Memorial Library to open the Acton Memorial Library to the public three afternoons and evenings per week, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To pass over the Article.
- Article 8. Snow Plow To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account, the sum of \$850.00 for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Eight hundred fifty (850) dollars for the purchase of a snow plow and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell any old snow plows.
- Article 9. Snow Fence To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purchase of snow fence, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To pass over the Article.
- Article 10. Construction Main Street To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,750.00 for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with \$3,750.00 to be allotted by the County and \$7,500.00 to be allotted by the State, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Seven Hundred Fifty (3750) dollars for new construction of Main Street from the Carlisle line to the State Road in North Acton; said money to be used in conjunction with Thirty-Seven Hundred Fifty (3750) dollars to be allotted by the County and Seven Thousand Five Hundred (7500) dollars to be allotted by the State.

- Article 11.
Highways
- To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00; said sum to be used in conjunction with \$2000.00 to be allotted by the County for repairs to highway culverts, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Two Thousand (2000) dollars; said sum to be used in conjunction with ~~the~~ Two Thousand (2000) dollars to be allotted by the County for repairs to highway culverts.
- Article 12.
Highways
- To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the amount of the State's and County's allotments for highways under Chapters 81 and 90; provided that the reimbursement be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account Chapter 81 Maintenance, State - Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred Fifty (14250) dollars; Chapter 90 Maintenance, State - Twelve Hundred (1200) dollars, County - Twelve Hundred (1200) dollars; New Construction, State - Seven Thousand Five Hundred (7500) dollars, County - Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty (3,750) dollars; Repairs to Culverts, County - Two Thousand (2,000) dollars; provided that the reimbursement be credited back to the Surplus Revenue Account.
- Article 13.
Vocational Tuition
- To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the payment of vocational tuition and transportation according to the provisions of Chapter 74 of the General Laws, or take any action thereon.
- Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand (3000) dollars for the payment of vocational tuition and transportation according to the provisions of Chapter 74 of the General Laws.
- Article 14.
School
- To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the conduct of physical education and athletics by the School Department, according to the provisions of Chapter 658 of the Acts of 1950, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (500) dollars for the conduct of physical education and athletics by the School Department according to the provisions of Chapter 658 of the Acts of 1950.
- Article 15.
School Lunch
- To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to continue the special school lunch account, according to the provisions of Chapter 417 of the Acts of 1950, or act anything thereon.
- Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred (100) dollars to continue the special school lunch account according to the provisions of Chapter 417 of the Acts of 1950.
- Article 16.
Expenses
- To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the necessary expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.
- Voted: That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated for the several purposes hereinafter designated and that the same be expended only for the

purposes under the direction of the respective boards, committees, or officers of the town as follows:

General Government 4% of Total		
1	Moderator	\$ 25.
2	Finance Committee	100.
3	Selectmen Salaries & Wages	2,610.
4	Expenses	200.
5	Town Accountant Salary & Wages	1,000.
6	Expenses	50.
7	Treasurer Salary & Wages	1,000.
8	Expenses	300.
9	Collector Salary & Wages	1,800.
10	Expenses	300.
11	Assessors, Salaries & Wages	2,350.
12	Expenses	500.
13	Town Clerk, Salary & Fees	550.
14	Expenses	200.
15	Elections & Registrations, Salary & Wages	825.
16	Expenses	250.
17	Total General Government	\$ 12,060.
Buildings and Grounds 2.4% of Total		
18	Buildings & Grounds, Salaries & Wages	2,950.
19	Expenses	4,275.
20	Total Buildings & Grounds	7,225.
Protection of Persons & Property 9.5% of Total		
21	Police, Salaries & Wages	7,010.
22	Expenses inc. cruiser & uniforms	2,200.
23	Fire Dept., Salaries & Wages	3,005.
24	Expenses	2,455.
25	Fire Alarm System Labor	700.
26	Expenses	200.
27	Fire Hydrant Rental	4,600.
28	Forest Fire	1,750.
29	Sealer of Wgts. & Measures, Salary & Wages	225.
30	Expenses	50.
31	Moth Dept., Salary & Wages	1,500.
32	Expenses	1,200.
33	Tree Warden, Salary & Wages	1,750.
34	Expenses	750.
35	Wire Inspector, Salary & Travel	550.
36	Expenses	50.
37	Dog Officer	450.
38	Total Protection	28,445.
Health and Sanitation 3.1% of Total		
39	Board of Health, Salary and Wages	4,464.
40	Expenses	2,696.
41	Garbage Collection	2,000.
42	Inspection of Animals	150.
43	Expenses	25.
44	Total Health and Sanitation	9,335.
Highways 10.6% of Total		
45	Village Highways	3,000.
46	Chapter 81 Highways	8,550.
47	Chapter 90 Highways	1,200.
48	Snow Removal	11,000.
49	Street Lighting	6,250.
50	Traffic Signs and Lines	500.
51	Total Highways	30,500.

Charities 15.4% of Total		
52	Welfare Dept. and Adm.	\$ 1,300.
53	Expenditures	4,500.
54	Old Age Expenditure	35,000.
55	Aid to Dep.Children Expenditure	<u>5,000.</u>
56	Total Charities	\$ 45,800.
Veterans Aid 2.1% of Total		
57	Veterans Benefits, Salary & Wages	150.
58	Expenses	100.
59	Expenditure	5,000.
60	Veterans' Service, Salary & Wages	1,050.
61	Expenses	<u>50.</u>
62	Total Veterans Aid	6,350.
Education 40.6% of Total		
63	Schools, Salaries & Wages	\$96,000.
64	Fuel	4,000.
65	Books & Supplies	3,500.
66	Transportation	8,500.
67	Tuition	
68	Janitors' Supplies, Power, Repairs and Miscellaneous	7,100.
69	Outlay	1,000.
70	Library	100.
71	Health	350.
72	Expenses	
73	Total Education	<u>129,550.</u>
Libraries .8% of Total		
74	Libraries, Salaries & Wages	1,300.
75	Expenses	1,100.
76	Books	<u>300.</u>
77	Total Libraries	2,700.
Recreation .8% of Total		
78	Playgrounds	2,500. 2,500.
Unclassified 2.1% of Total		
79	Miscellaneous Expenses	1,500.
80	Town Reports	1,000.
81	Workmen's Compensation	1,300.
82	Surety Bonds	600.
83	Pension Fund	1,410.
84	Expense Fund	145.
85	Memorial Day	<u>500.</u>
86	Total Unclassified	6,455.
Cemeteries 2.4% of Total		
87	Cemeteries, Salary & Wages	5,400.
88	Expenses	<u>1,900.</u>
89	Total Cemeteries	7,300.
Maturing Debt & Interest 5.4% of Total		
90	Maturing Debt	16,000.
91	Interest	<u>255.</u>
92	Total Debt & Interest	16,255.
93	TOTAL BUDGET	295,475.

Special Articles

Art. 5	Replacement of shade trees	250.
Art. 6	Citizens Library, West Acton	175.
Art. 10	Construction of Main Street	3,750.
Art. 13	Vocational Tuition	3,000.
Art. 14	Physical education	500.
Art. 15	School Lunch Account	100.
Art. 17	Redecorate interior of Mem.Lib.	375.0
Art. 20	Feeding shade trees	500.
Art. 21	Police Department, New Man	1,950.

Art. 22	Eradication of poison ivy	1,000.
Art. 25	Town Forests cutting brush	250.
Art. 27	Mt. Hope Cem. Oiling roads	800.
Art. 28	Fire-Alarm System	2,500.
Art. 30	Chairs for Town Hall	350.
Art. 33	Insurance High School	120.
Art. 35	Fire Escape, Town Hall	450.
Art. 39	Insurance	700.
Art. 44	Traffic zone signs	1,000.
Art. 47	Civil Defense	4,000.
Art. 48	Special School Bldg. Comm.	2,000.
Art. 51	Reserve Fund	3,000.
Total to be raised and appropriated under Sp. Art.		<u>\$26,770.</u>

Total Voted to be raised and appropriated \$322,245.

Transfers:

Art. 4	Machinery Account	2,500.
Art. 8	Snow plow	850.
Art. 11	Highway culverts	2,000.
Art. 12	Maintenance, State Chapt. 81	14,250.
Art. 12	" " " 90	1,200.
Art. 12	" County Chapt. 90	1,200.
Art. 12	New Construction State	7,500.
Art. 12	" " County	3,750.
Art. 12	Repairs to culverts, County	2,000.
Art. 18	Fire Dept. equipment	1,200.
Art. 19	Police Dept., new cruiser	400.
Art. 24	New Compressor Acton Center	
	Fire House	1,800.
Art. 29	Power Mower	300.
Art. 31	Redecorating high school	1,000.
Art. 32	Center school heating system	4,000.
Art. 37	Forest Fire pump	900.
Art. 38	Painting exterior of town hall.	2,100.
Art. 41	Woodlawn Cem. purchase land	8,200.
Art. 42	Woodlawn Cemetery from Cemetery land fund	1,000.
Art. 42	Mt. Hope Cemetery from Cemetery land fund	500.
Art. 51	Reserve Fund from Overlay Surplus	<u>3,000.</u>
Total Transfers		\$ 59,650.
Grand Total		\$381,895

Article 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to redecorate the interior of the Acton Memorial Library or act anything thereon.

Memorial
Library

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Seventy-Five (375) dollars to redecorate the interior of the Acton Memorial Library.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$1,200.00 for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department, or act anything thereon.

Fire
Department

Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Twelve Hundred (1200) dollars for the purchase of necessary equipment for the Fire Department.

- Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$400.00 or any other sum, for the purchase of a new cruiser for the Police Department and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell the old cruiser, or act anything thereon.
- Police Cruiser
- Voted; To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Four Hundred (400) dollars for the purchase of a new cruiser for the Police Department and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in or sell the old cruiser.
- Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the feeding of our shade trees, or act anything thereon.
- Feeding Trees
- Voted; To raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (500) dollars for the feeding of our shade trees.
- Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,950.00 for the salary of another patrolman for the Police Department, or act anything thereon.
- Policeman
- Voted; That another full time patrolman be appointed to the Police Department and that the sum of \$1,950.00 be raised and appropriated as salary therefor.
- Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 or any other sum, for the Tree Department for eradication of poison ivy on the highways, streets and school grounds, or act anything thereon.
- Poison Ivy
- Voted; To raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (1000) dollars for the eradication of poison ivy on the highways, streets, and school grounds and to be spent under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.
- Article 23. To see if the town will vote to authorize a board or committee to draw up a set of simple Zoning By-Laws for the Town of Acton; to determine the number to be on said board or committee, and to determine how the said board or committee shall be formed, or act anything thereon.
- Zoning By-Laws
- Voted; That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to appoint a Zoning Board of five members to draw up a set of Zoning By-Laws for the Town of Acton and to report at the next annual Town Meeting.
- Hand Vote Tellers Appointed: Ormal Laffin
Ray L. Harris
James E. Kinsley
Theron A. Lowden
- To pass over the article Yes 148
No 165
- Hand vote for the above motion Yes 176
No 130
- Article 24. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$1800.00 for the purchase and installation of new compressor and air tanks for the Acton Center fire house, or act anything thereon.
- Compressor, Fire Dept.
- Voted; To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Eighteen Hundred (1800) dollars for the purchase and installation of a new compressor and air tanks for the Acton Center fire house.

- Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the cutting of brush, fire lanes and other work in the Town Forest, or act anything thereon.
- Town Forest
- Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty (250) dollars for the cutting of brush, fire lanes and other work in the Town Forests.
- Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the control work of Dutch Elm Disease in accordance with Chapter 761 of the Acts of 1949, or act anything thereon.
- Dutch Elm Disease
- Voted: To pass over the article.
- Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 or any other sum for the purpose of oiling roads and avenues in Mt. Hope Cemetery, or act anything thereon.
- Mt. Hope Cemetery
- Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred (800) dollars for the purpose of oiling roads and avenues in Mt. Hope Cemetery.
- Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 or any other sum, for the extension of the Fire Alarm System from Acton Center along Concord Road and Great Road to the Acton-Concord line, then back along Great Road (Route 2) to Davis Road, then to Brook Street, along Brook Street to Main Street and along Main Street to Acton Center with four or more fire alarm boxes, or act anything thereon.
- Fire Alarm System
- Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Hundred (2500) dollars for the extension of the Fire Alarm System from Acton Center along Concord Road and Great Road to the Acton-Concord line, then back along Great Road to Davis Road, then to Brook Street, along Brook Street to Main Street and along Main Street to Acton Center with four or more fire alarm boxes.
- Article 29. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of a power mower for the playgrounds, or act anything thereon.
- Power Mower
- Voted: To transfer the sum of Three Hundred (300) dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purchase of a power mower for the playgrounds.
- Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 for folding chairs for the lower hall of the Town Hall, or act anything thereon.
- Town Hall Chairs
- Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Fifty (350) dollars for folding chairs for the lower hall of the Town Hall.
- Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for completing the refinishing and repainting of the High School interior, or act anything thereon.
- High School
- Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of One Thousand (1000) dollars for completing the refinishing and repainting of the High School interior.
- Article 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the

Center
School

sum of \$4,000.00 (additional funds) for the installation of a new state approved school type heating unit at the Center School, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the sum of Four Thousand (4000) dollars be transferred from the Surplus Revenue Account for the installation of a new state approved school type heating unit at the Center School.

Article 33.

High School
Fire Insurance

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$120.00 to renew the \$10,000.00 fire insurance policy on the Acton High School for three years, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty (120) dollars to renew the \$10,000.00 fire insurance policy on the Acton High School for three years.

Article 34.

Insurance

To see if the town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to investigate and recommend the advisability of insuring all or any part of the town buildings or equipment and report at the next annual or a special town meeting or act anything thereon.

Voted: To instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to investigate and recommend the advisability of insuring all or any part of the town buildings or equipment and report at the next annual town meeting.
Committee appointed by Moderator: Howard J. Billings
Benjamin J. Ineson
Wilson D. Sked

Article 35.

Town Hall

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for repairs to the fire escape on the Town Hall, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Fifty (450) dollars for repairs to the fire escape on the Town Hall.

Article 36.

Water Tax
Assessment

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to cover the water tax assessment on all town owned buildings and land or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the Article.

Article 37.

Forest Fire
Pump

To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$900.00 for the purchase of a new portable forest fire pump, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Nine Hundred (900) dollars for the purchase of a new portable forest fire pump.

Article 38.

Town Hall

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,100.00 for the painting of the exterior of the Town Hall, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of Twenty One Hundred (2100) dollars for the painting of the exterior of the Town Hall.

Article 39.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to pay the cost of effecting insurance

Insurance

Providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property, caused by operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter.Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection 1, as amended, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred (700) dollars to pay the cost of effecting insurance providing indemnity for or protection to any officer or employee of the Town against loss by reason of his liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, or for damage to property caused by operation, within the scope of his official duties or employment of motor or other vehicles owned by the Town as provided by the provisions of General Laws (Ter.Ed.) Chapter 40, Section 5, Subsection 1, as amended.

Article 40.

Fire House

To see if the town will vote to rescind the action under Article 27 at the annual town meeting, Held March 13, 1950 or act anything thereon, said article having read as follows: to see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 or any other sum, for the construction of a new fire house in Acton Center on the present fire house location, according to plans submitted by the fire house committee, and determine how the same shall be raised, or act anything thereon. (Inserted in warrant on petition bearing twelve (12) signatures.)

Voted: To pass over the Article.

Article 41.

Cemetery
Land

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Cemetery Commissioners to purchase for burial purposes, two parcels of land, approximately 42 acres, adjoining and near Woodlawn Cemetery in the easterly part of Acton, Mass., as described in the "Description of Parcels" in the report of the Cemetery Commissioners in the town report for the year 1950; and to raise by taxation or appropriate from the Surplus Revenue \$8,200.00 or any other sum, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To authorize the Cemetery Commissioners to purchase for burial purposes, two parcels of land, approximately forty-two (42) acres, adjoining and near Woodlawn Cemetery in the easterly part of Acton, Mass., as described in the "Description of Parcels" in the report of the Cemetery Commissioners in the town report for the year 1950; and to transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account Eight Thousand Two Hundred (8,200) dollars for the purchase of the same.

Article 42.

Cemetery
Land

To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 from the Cemetery Land Fund to be divided as follows: \$1,000.00 for Woodlawn Cemetery, and \$500.00 for Mt. Hope Cemetery, for the purpose of clearing, grading and laying out new sections for cemetery lots, and to authorize said Cemetery Commissioners to do anything necessary, proper, or expedient for carrying out the above purposes or act anything thereon.

Voted: To transfer the sum of Fifteen Hundred (1500) dollars from the Cemetery Land Fund to be divided as follows:

One Thousand (1000) dollars for Woodlawn Cemetery, and Five Hundred(500) dollars for Mt. Hope Cemetery, for the purpose of clearing, grading and laying out new sections for cemetery lots, and authorize said Cemetery Commissioners to do anything necessary, proper, or expedient for carrying out the above purposes.

Article 43.

Orchard
Drive

To see if the town will vote to accept as a town way, the laying out by the Board of Selectmen of a road in West Acton extending in an easterly and northerly direction from Central Street, a distance of approximately 900 feet by land of Sked, French, Smith, Hitchcock, and others, a plan of which is filed in the office of the Town Clerk, said way to be named Orchard Drive, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That Orchard Drive as shown on a plan of land of Albert R. Jenks, dated September 1, 1949 and filed in the Town Clerk's office, be accepted as a town way.

Article 44.

Traffic
Signs

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purchase and erection of traffic zone speed signs for Main Street from the Maynard line to Route 2; and from the Concord-Acton line to the Acton-Maynard line on Route 62, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand (1000) dollars for the purchase and erection of traffic zone speed signs for Main Street from the Maynard line to Route 2 and from the Concord-Acton line to the Acton-Maynard line on Route 62.

Article 45.

By-Laws

To see if the town will vote to amend Section two (2) of the Town By-Laws by adding the following articles, or act anything thereon.

Article 11. Every way that shall be laid out for the acceptance of the town as a town way, shall be laid out forty feet or more in width, with twenty-four feet or more of approved road building materials that shall meet the requirements of the Planning Board.

Article 12. If an existing private way shall be laid out for the acceptance of the town as a town way, such way shall not be accepted unless and until the Planning Board shall have certified in writing that such way meets the requirements of Article 11.

Motion did not prevail.

Article 46.

Union Health
Departmen ts

To see if the town will vote for the Moderator to appoint a committee of five to investigate and study the provisions of Chapter 662 of the Acts of 1949, the act relative to the organization of union health departments, and determine the desirability of (Town) Acton , Mass., joining with one or more of the following towns: Concord, Carlisle, Maynard, Littleton, Westford, Stow, Bedford, Sudbury, Lexington or others, to form a union health department. This committee to report its findings to the next town meeting.

Voted: That the Moderator appoint a committee of five to investigate and study the provisions of Chapter 662 of the Acts of 1949, the act relative to the organization of union health departments and determine the desirability of (Town) Acton, Mass., joining with one or more of the

following towns: Concord, Carlisle, Maynard, Littleton, Westford, Stow, Bedford, Sudbury, Lexington or others, to form a union health department. This committee to report its' findings to the next town meeting. Committee appointed by the Moderator: Ellis C. Johnson, Lossie E. Laird, Arno H. Perkins, Allen M. Christofferson, and Clarence Frost.

Article 47. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 or any other sum for the Civil Defense Agency of the Town of Acton, or act anything thereon.

Civil Defense

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand (4000) dollars for the Civil Defense Agency of the Town of Acton.

Article 48. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Special School Building Committee for employing a competent person or persons to make a survey to determine probable enrollment in grades 9 to 12 in 1959 to 1964, or act anything thereon.

Survey,
High
School

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand (2,000) dollars to be expended under the direction of the Special School Building Committee for employing a competent person or persons to make a survey to determine probable enrollment in grades 9 to 12 in 1959 to 1964 inclusive.

Article 49. To see if the town will vote under authority of Chapter 41, Section 81A of the General Laws, to establish a Planning Board to consist of not less than five members and not more than nine; the terms of office to be so arranged that the term of at least one member will expire each year, and their successors shall be elected for terms of five years each, or act anything thereon.

Planning
Board

Voted: To pass over the Article.

Article 50. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as the Planning Board under Chapter 41, General Laws, Section 81A; until such time as an official Planning Board is elected at a subsequent annual meeting, or act anything thereon.

Planning
Board

Voted: To pass over the Article.

Article 51. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6000.00 as a Reserve Fund, or act anything thereon.

Reserve
Fund

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand (3000) dollars for the Reserve Fund and to transfer three thousand (3000) dollars from the overlay surplus for the Reserve Fund

Voted: To adjourn at 11:30 P.M.

A true copy

*Attest: Harlan E. Tuttle
Town Clerk*

Warrant for the Special Town Meeting
held April 30, 1951
Town Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, SS.
Seal

To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton,
in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you
are hereby directed to notify the legal voters of said
town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for
the transaction of town affairs, to meet at the Town
Hall, in said Acton on Monday, April 30, 1951 at 8:00
o'clock P.M.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

- Article 1. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate
the sum of \$8,000.00 or any other sum to finish the
interior of the second floor of the new Acton Center
fire house to make it suitable for school class rooms,
or act anything thereon. (Requested by the Fire House
Building Committee.)

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting
attested copies thereof seven days at least before the
time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant
with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before
the time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton this seventeenth day
of April, 1951.

George S. Braman
Arthur W. Lee Selectmen of
Lawrence Donnelly Acton

A true copy Attest

Constable of Acton

Acton, Mass. April 21, 1951

Middlesex, SS.

I have served the within named warrant by posting
an attested copy of the same at 24 of the public
places of said town seven days before the time of
holding said meeting as within directed.

Michael Foley, Constable of Acton.

Abstract of the Proceedings of the
Special Town Meeting, April 30, 1951

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 or any other sum to finish the interior of the second floor of the new Acton Center Fire House to make it suitable for school class rooms, or act anything thereon. (Requested by the Fire House Building Committee)

Voted Unanimously: To transfer the sum of Eight Thousand (8000) dollars from the Surplus Revenue Account to the Acton Center Fire House Building Committee for adaptation of the building to school room purposes and for finishing the Center Fire House driveways and grounds.

A true copy

Attest:

Harlan E. Tuttle
Town Clerk